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Original Musical Drama To Be Given at 2 Chapels

By Margery Sabine

If you had to decide between the Church and your father, which would you choose?

That is the choice Marc Lyman makes in "The Temple," an original musical drama to be presented by the MIA of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake in the early part of September. It will be given at the Claremont Ward and Oakland Fourth Ward chapels Sept. 5, 6, 7, 11, and 12.

The cast of 55 stake members, directed by Rhea Nelson, a graduate of the School of Theater Arts at UCLA, portrays through song, dance and drama some of the problems facing the Saints in Nauvoo during the winter of 1845.

New Address For Editorial Dept.

Beginning this month the editorial department of The Messenger of Northern California has a new address.

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RAY RACKLEY and Miss Nelson have been working on the script and lyrics since December and have done extensive research to give authenticity to the production. The music was written by Marjorie Wood Remington, a former student of Darius Milhaud, the well-known French contemporary composer.

Directing the music will be Verna Johnson, who conducted Handel's "Messiah" during the Christmas season. Stage settings were designed by Kevin Watts.

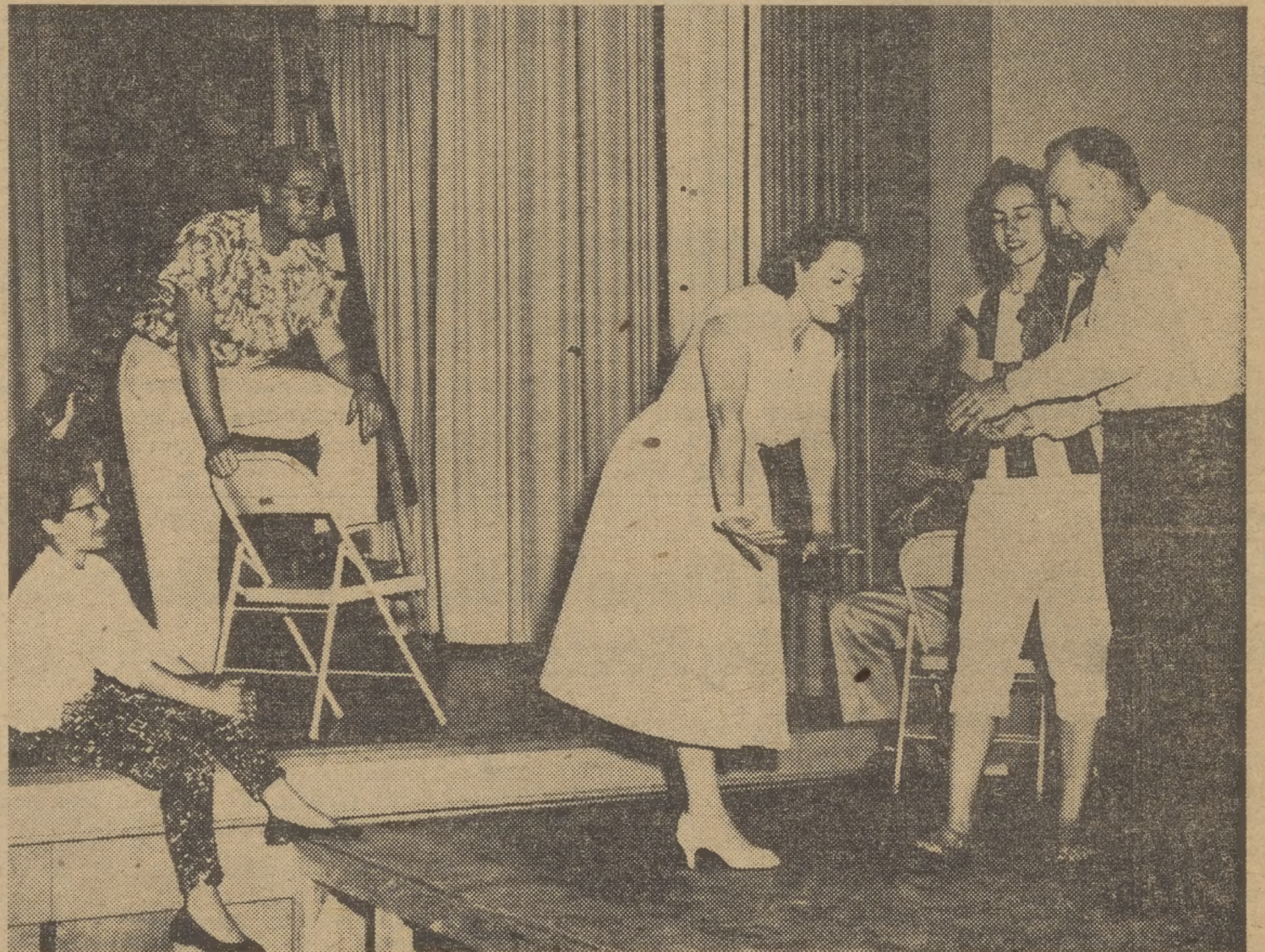
"The Temple" is being presented as the stake's summer MIA activity and has been approved by the Church MIA General Board.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to attend any of the performances. However, for Oakland-Berkeley Stake members, a particular night has been suggested for the various wards, as follows:

At Claremont Ward Chapel: September 5 for Claremont and Oakland First wards; Sept. 6 for Berkeley First and Berkeley Second; Sept. 7 for Richmond and East Richmond.

At Oakland Fourth Ward Chapel: Sept. 11 for Alameda and Oakland Third; Sept. 12, for Oakland Fourth.

In leading roles are Roy Clovis, Hugh Alsop, Joan Russell, Dolores Roberts, Jean Tidwell, Roger Collins, Joan Nelson, Dorothy Bench, Stanley Ruggles and Fern Nelson. Admission price is 75 cents.



REHEARSING A SCENE FROM "THE TEMPLE", these talented Oakland-Berkeley Stake thespians prepare to stage the original musical-drama Sept. 5, 6, 7, 11 and 12. From left, Bonnie Bertagnolli and Brigham Young (Stanley Ruggles of Richmond Ward) watch Carlotta (Fern Nelson, Oakland Fourth Ward), Miles Romney (Hugh Alsop, Berkeley First) Eliza R. Snow (Dorothy Bench, Claremont Ward) and Luigi Toronto (Roy Clovis, Berkeley Second) go through a scene of production written by Rhea Nelson and Ray Rackley.

Alameda Ward

Three Alameda Families Tell Of 'As Is' Diet

Three Alameda Ward families reported at the sacrament meeting Sunday, August 18 how they had fared on a restricted diet for the week then past. The reports were interesting and informative.

The three families had been called by the bishopric of Alameda Ward, with no prior warning or notice of any kind, that they were to subsist for a full seven days upon whatever they had in their homes at the time. No purchases from the store nor any food from any

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THINGS ARE HUMMING these days in the San Rafael Ward of the San Francisco Stake and these are the leaders in charge of the rapidly-expanding ward. The new Bishopric and clerks, from left, (front row) are Dr. Henry C. Savage, first counselor; Bishop Carl S. Coombs; Donald W. Willmore, second counselor; (back row) L. Glen Pew, Mearle B. Smith and Westor L. Roe, ward clerks.

WORK WELL UNDER WAY ON TRI-STAKE CENTER

Some extra and unexpected foundation digging was required for the Inter-Stake Center on Temple Hill but that was quickly accomplished and work is now well under way on the million and a half dollar project.

Bids on sub-contracts were due August 28 and it is expected that these bids will be let soon, said Paul E. Warnick, of Piedmont, coordinator for the project. Forms have been built and concrete already has been poured as part of the main contract, being undertaken by Frank Fullmer and associates of Salt Lake City.

The Center, which will serve Hayward, Walnut Creek and Oakland-Berkeley stakes, is being constructed on an 18-acre site in the hills of Oakland. In addition to the huge auditorium and other rooms and facilities for the three stakes, the center will include a new chapel for the Oakland Ward and the Oakland Third Ward.

"Some concern has been expressed about our ability to raise the rest of the money in 16 months—the time scheduled for construction," said Coordinator Warnick. "But in some areas of the three stakes it is coming in surprisingly fast."

One financing difficulty, stake leaders point out, is that a number of wards are in the middle of financing drives for new chapels.

The project is under the general direction of the three stake presidents, O. Leslie Stone, Oakland-Berkeley; Norman B. Creer, Walnut Creek, and Dr. Milton P. Ream, Hayward.

The Center site was dedicated July 20 by President Stephen L. Richards, first counselor in the

First Presidency of the Church, while 4000 Church members and friends looked on.



PAUL E. WARNICK, right, coordinator of the Inter-Stake Center project, and Frank Fullmer, principal contractor, look over building plans on 18-acre site of at Temple Hill. Preliminary work is well under way now.

Amazing Growth Shown In Walnut Creek Stake

By Albert E. Gilbert

From 30 to nearly 5,000 members in 15 years is the amazing growth record of Walnut Creek Stake, which now contains eight wards, Stake records show.

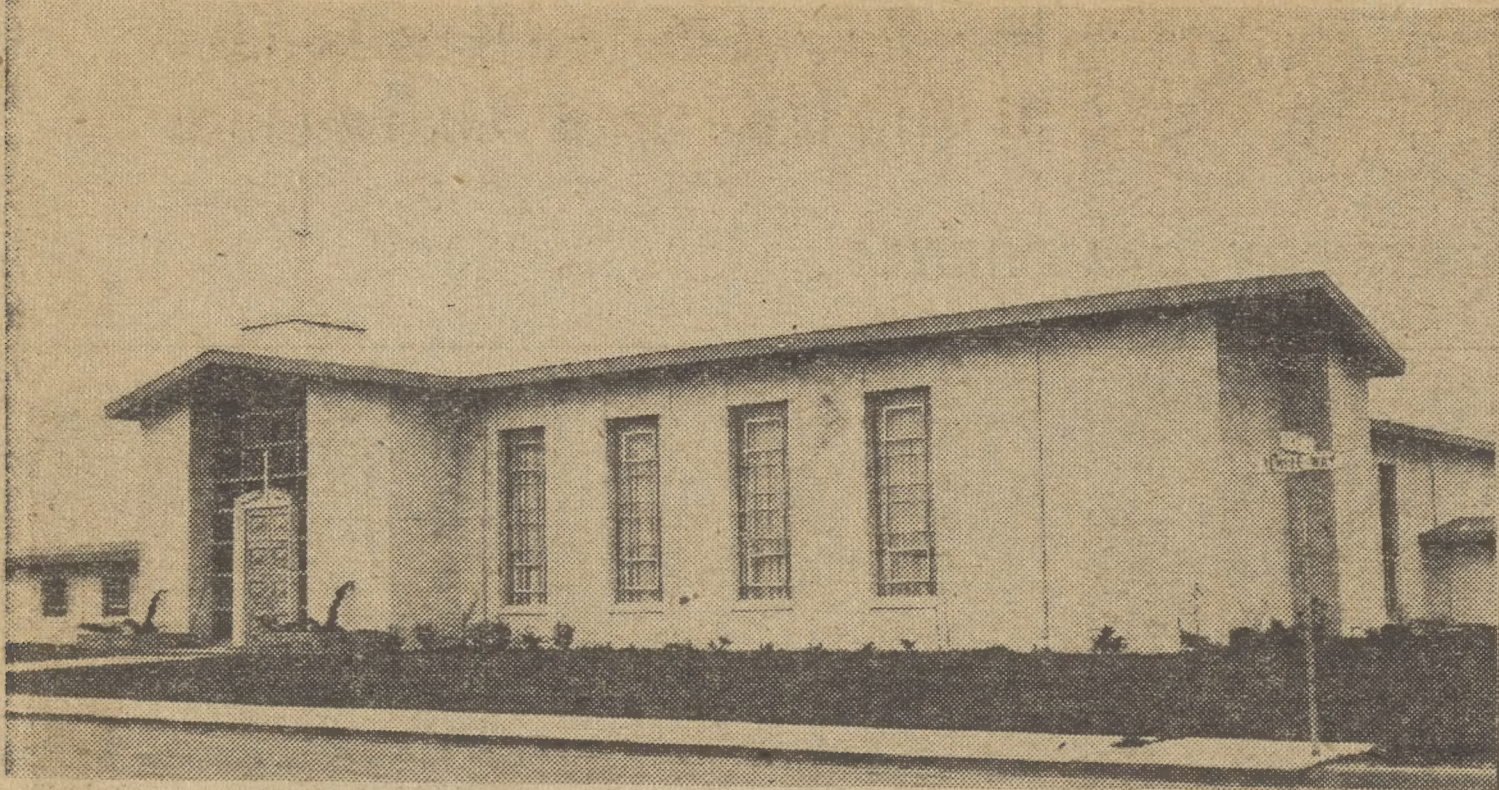
The "modern" history of the stake begins with a meeting of 30 Latter-day Saints called by the late Dr. Emery Ranker at Lafayette in 1942. Actually an organization had existed for several years after 1928, when 26 members formed a branch under the California Mission, but it flickered out during the depression in 1933. Four of the 26 are still living in the area.

But the 1942 effort refused to flicker out. It soon outgrew the members' living rooms and moved into the Walnut Creek Women's Club House where it continued to meet until the Walnut Creek-Pleasant Hill Ward Chapel was dedicated November 12, 1955.

IN JUNE, 1946, the Walnut

Creek Branch of the Berkeley Stake was reorganized with Kenneth D. Jensen as president. He became first bishop of the Walnut Creek Ward in 1949. Membership had increased to 370 by then. Bishop Jensen was succeeded by Bishop Robert G. Larsen in November 1950. The chapel site was purchased in 1951 and construction started two years later. Concord Ward was augmented by a block of Walnut Creek members in February, 1952, and Pleasant Hill Ward was created in March of that year. Orinda became an independent

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THIS BEAUTIFUL CENTERVILLE WARD CHAPEL completed and dedicated August 25, was like all such chapels, built through the cooperative effort of ward members. To help commemorate the occasion ward members produced a book, complete with construction and fund-raising pictures, which tells in rhyme about the difficulties—and the fun—of building a ward house.

Hayward Stake

New Centerville Ward Chapel Within Two Miles Of First Mormon Meeting House in California

By Annaleone D. Patton

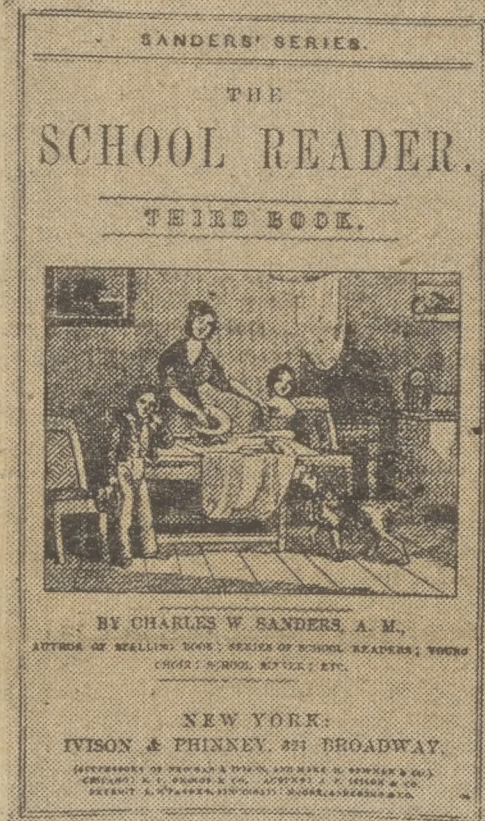
The chapel-school house built at Centerville where the depot now stands has a most dramatic history. It was built by Elder Joan M. Horner for a meeting house, school house, and place for social gatherings 107 years ago. (1850) This historic, one-roomed building parented our superb public school system in Alameda County and was undoubtedly the first Latter-day Saint chapel in California.

John M. Horner and his bride, Elizabeth Imlay, were converts to the Mormon church from New Jersey. They came to California on the ship Brooklyn, which dropped anchor at Yerba Buena "Cove" (San Francisco) July 31, 1846. This cargo of Mormon exiles had chartered the Brooklyn, a cargo ship, and lived between decks where an adult could not stand erect. Storms blew them out of their course on the Atlantic and the Pacific and prolonged their voyage six months and increased their mileage to 24000 miles.

Except for a hide drogher, the Brooklyn was the first ship to come through the Golden Gate under the American regime. Captain John B. Montgomery had raised the American flag at Yerba Buena three weeks earlier, July 9, 1846. They were the first colony with women and children to sail around Cape Horn, the first colony in California under the American flag, and first Anglo-Americans to come to California by water.

IN MARCH 1847 the Horners established their first home, in what is now Alameda County. It is said there were but four or five Anglo Saxons on the north and east side of San Francisco Bay at that time. John M. Horner was the first white American to settle in what was to become Alameda County (Livermore was English). On December 26, 1847, William Horner was born, the first white American child born in the county.

Much has been written of John M. Horner. He fed the hungry, scurried '49ers and became wealthy. He proved that grain and vegetables could be raised in California in paying quantities and achieved fame at home and abroad. He gave



HERE'S THE COVER of the "School Reader," in use at the time the Mormons established the first school in California. It was not far from the newly-dedicated Centerville Chapel.

Alameda County its first American home, roads, fences, bridges, blacksmith shop, wheelwright shop, first steamboat on San Francisco Bay, stage line, steam driven grist mill, combined harvester and many other firsts.

He fathered mechanized farming in the state. He was honored with the title of "First Farmer of California," at the first agricultural fair (San Francisco, 1852.)

HIS GREATEST contribution however, was his religious and cultural endowments to the county when the country was raw and crude. He founded many of the first towns and settlements in southern Alameda County.

After he established his home on Mission Creek many friends and co-religionists on the Brooklyn gravitated into the beautiful farming country to begin life in the new environment. Horner was a Mor-

mon Elder and began holding religious services as embryo settlements sprouted. Sometimes he rode out among the ranches and held cottage meetings.

The Mormons gathered at the "old Naile Adobe" on what is now the Michael Overaker ranch at Niles and held their religious meetings in the attic. Elder Harvey Green taught school there also. This is, so far as known, the first school in the county where English was taught.

In 1850 Elder John M. Horner and his brother, William, and a partner built the first non-Catholic chapel where the Centerville depot now stands. Elder Horner hired and paid the teacher, Elder Harvey Green. It was a public school in every sense of the word. Elder Horner preached each Sabbath afternoon to a Mormon congregation of forty of his fellow believers, from the ship Brooklyn, or discharged Mormon Battalion members who marched into California six months after the arrival of the Brooklyn.

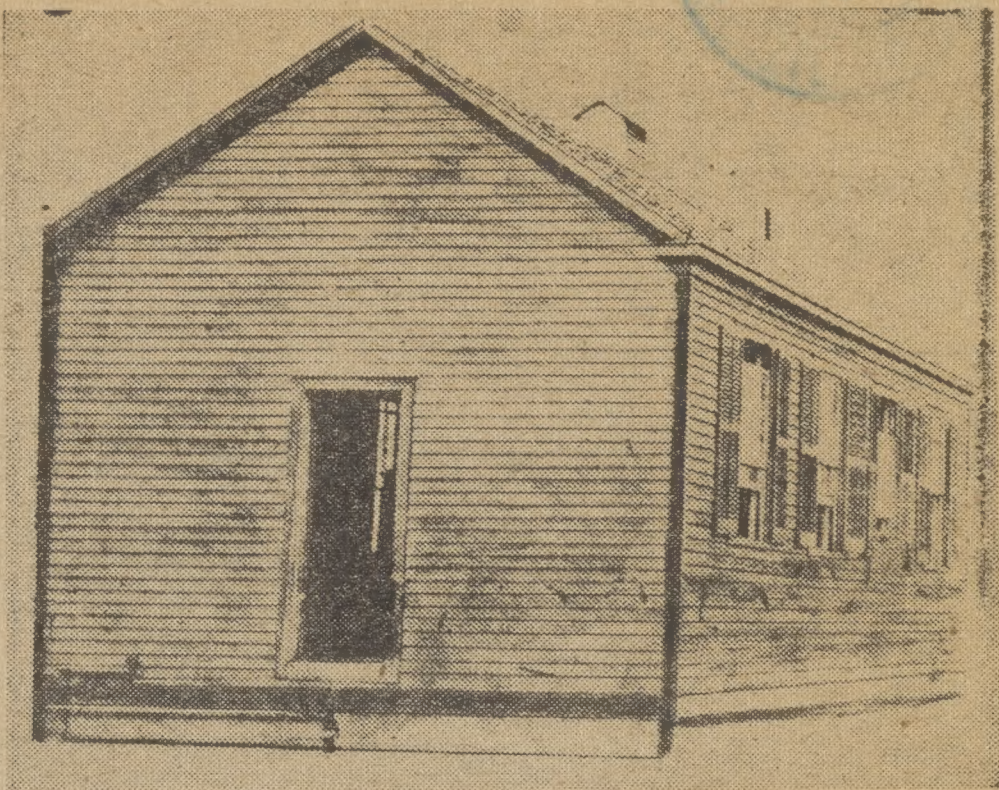
THE GOLD RUSH brought many people into California in 1849. The next year, 1850, found many of them dribbling into the rich agricultural colony started by the Mormon emigrants. Horner was a generous man. The Mormons used their "meeting house" in the afternoons, so on alternate Sunday mornings the Presbyterians and Methodists met in the Mormon chapel. The first organizations of these denominations in the county took place in the Mormon chapel.

The little meeting house served as "the first school of the county" for twelve years in Centerville, and was then moved to Irvington, to be its first school and render another twelve years of service. Horner also donated land for the first non-Catholic cemetery in the county. After it passed out of Horner's hands all markings were destroyed by fire. It is known in history as "The lost graveyard of Centerville."

HORNER BEFRIENDED many wayfarers as well as struggling pioneers of his own denomination. He had business contacts with the early settlements of Utah. He maintained an early department store in the old titling office at Salt Lake City. He sent choice varieties of fruit trees, cuttings, budding sprouts and seeds to Utah by wagon trains. He befriended Mormon missionaries as they passed through the port of San Francisco going to their fields of labor or returning home from these assignments.

The journal of Jane E. Hunter, at the de Young Museum, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, tells of the generosity of Elders Horner and Mowry in helping her father and his family in 1851 when they

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THE OLD HORNER SCHOOLHOUSE and Mormon Chapel, which stood on a site only about two miles from the new Centerville Ward Chapel. Original picture was owned by Mrs. R. A. Griffin of Irvington. This picture was taken by Aima Schueler, Centerville.

Centerville Ward

Picture-History Aids Ward Fund

By Hazel Natali

The Centerville Ward chapel was dedicated August 25. Everyone rushed to complete last minute details for this long awaited occasion. The Sunday School organization is selling a book written about the building of the chapel. It has many pictures of the building and fund raising projects. The books are selling for \$3.00 each or \$5.00 for two. The proceeds will go into the building fund.

A group of the young men from the Aaronic Priesthood were given a trip to Lake Tahoe in recognition of their achievements in their Aaronic priesthood work. They left Aug. 3, and were gone a week. Bishop Andrew G. Hunt went with them. They spent the time swimming, hiking, boating and water skiing. They rode the ski lift up

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EUGENE KAECK, young Oakland Second Ward convert, will be honored at a testimonial and farewell September 1. He has accepted a call to the Great Lakes mission.

Oakland Second

Young Convert Plans Mission

A missionary farewell and testimonial will be held September 1 in the Oakland Second Ward chapel for Eugene S. Kaeck. He will be in the mission home Sept. 4 preparatory for his departure to the Great Lakes mission.

Gene, a convert of less than two years, had been saving his money for a long anticipated trip to Europe. After the gospel was brought to him, and his testimony grew stronger, the dream of Europe gradually gave way to a bigger one. Gene will support himself in the field.

Gene is the only one in his family who has accepted the gospel plan as yet. Many of his family are living in the Great Lakes region, so he hopes to be instrumental in taking the gospel to them.

The well-wishes of all your friends go with you Gene, in this very important step in your life.

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Hayward Stake

Greatest Wish of Elder Norris Is Chance to Explain the Gospel

(From Quorum Quotes, Hayward Fourth Quorum of Elders)
QUORUM PROFILE OF THE MONTH

Elder Cleve Norris is a family man! When we interviewed him the family when not listening intently to the stories (some they were hearing for the first time) took an active oral part in the parley. Thus from the children we discovered that Elder Norris' pet peeve is having the soles on his feet tickled!

In 1931 when Brother Norris was seventeen he was ordained an elder and was able to attend the services for the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the Logan Temple. (He hopes to return for the centennial celebration of that majestic house.)

RANDOLPH, UTAH, claims Cleve as a native son although he has spanned the U. S. in his travels.

While in the U. S. Forestry service, Cleve learned much of the folk

San Leandro

'Back To School' Dance Scheduled

By Marilyn Nelson

August 20 was "family night" at Chabot Park, one of the many fun activities staged by our MIA this summer. A skating party will be held Sept. 3, at the Rollarium and Sept. 10 will be a back to school dance with Oakland Second ward.

Temple garments are no longer available through the stake. Those of you who want to get Temple garments can get them through our San Leandro representatives Brother and Sister Walter Smithen, phone SW. 8-1767.

Sister Doris Hansen and Nelle Christensen gave a baby shower for Donna Nelson, August 7, at the home of Brother and Sister Hal Hansen.

A ward Welfare turkey dinner was held Friday, August 30, at 6:30 Special entertainment was featured.

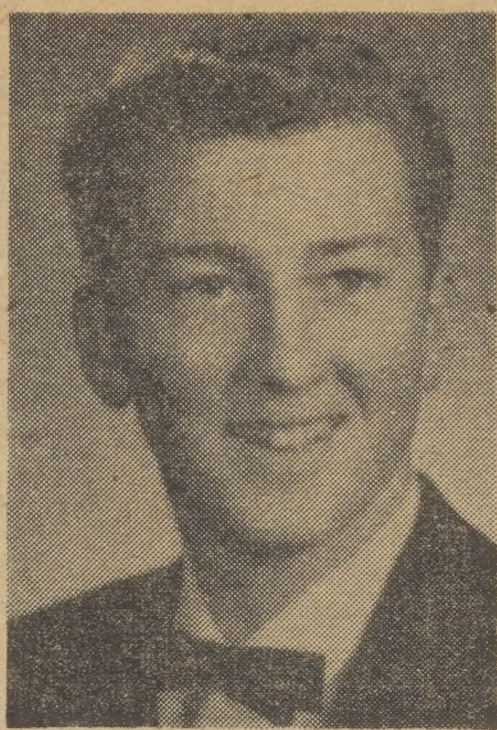
lore of the mountain people of the Ozarks and of our southern neighbors when he was transferred to New Mexico. He has a degree in Forestry from the Utah Agricultural College and he later earned a B. S. degree in Education at B. Y. U.

After being boss to Jean, (his wife) while she was employed in Salt Lake City he reversed his position by marrying her in 1943. In 1949 Elder Norris led his genial wife into the waters of baptism and in 1953 their marriage was sealed in the Salt Lake Temple.

DURING CLEVE'S three years in the army and one year in the Air Force, Jean followed him and made a home for him wherever he was stationed. Brother and Sister Norris feel they are exceptionally blessed in their daughter, Sharon who is eleven and James, aged nine, because two other babies were "called home" while infants.

"My greatest wish? To have a million dollars, of course, so we can build more churches. "But", added Cleve, "All I really desire is the opportunity to explain the gospel to anyone who will listen." Elder Cleve has completed a Stake Mission and is presently serving in the Castro Valley Ward Genealogical Committee.

We who have been warmed by Cleve's friendly smile or by his hearty handclasp know he is a quorum member who truly understands and adheres to the second great commandment "—to love thy neighbor as thyself."



IVAN JACOBSEN, Oakland Second Ward priest, has been awarded a scholarship to Montana State University at Missoula.

Oakland Youth To Montana U On Scholarship

Ivan R. Jacobsen, 17, son of Vern and Elva Jacobsen of Oakland Second ward, Hayward Stake, has received a scholarship at Montana State University, Missoula. The scholarship is renewable upon completion of satisfactory grades and swimming accomplishments.

For the first year, Ivan plans to take subjects so that he can later major in chemistry or physics. He had a "B" average in college preparatory subjects at Castlemont high school. At Castlemont he was one of the outstanding varsity swimmers and broke two Oakland high school athletic league records.

He is a priest in the Oakland Second Ward.

He was active in school activities, such as secretary, then president of the Excalibur club, and an associate justice. He originated a new plan of class council representation, and coordination between student governing groups for better study of school problems.

He was vice president, then president of the Undertakers, the Oakland Youth Chamber of Commerce.

Hayward Stake

Castro Valley—Nellamae Tanner Centerville—Mrs. Hazel Natalie Hayward First—Judy Ahlin Hayward II—Shirley Troub Livermore—Della McLaughlin Oakland II—Joanne White

pose and to work toward the achievement of it.

These things bring us peace. When we bring ourselves peace we bring it to others. In these troubled years that seems to me to be an especially desirable aim to which we may dedicate ourselves.

Mrs. Robert M. Lee New Leader Of Alta Mira Club, San Leandro

Mrs. Robert M. Lee will take over as president of the Alta Mira Club of San Leandro when the club year starts this month. She has been an active member for the past years and has served on various committees.

Mrs. Lee was installed as president on May 27, along with the 11 other members of the executive board, and 25 chairmen, by Mrs. L. G. Morgan, a past president.

The new club president is a member of the San Leandro Ward, Hayward Stake and formerly taught for several years in the Primary. She served on the LDS Primary Stake Board, was a Relief Society teacher and program chairman for two years.

SHE ATTENDED the South Summit High School in Kamas, Utah, and the University of Utah in Salt Lake City, moving to San Leandro in 1947. She is the mother of three children, Marlene, 13; Stephen, 9, and Linda Kei, 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee are active in a Homeowners group, of which she is secretary. They are do-it-yourself enthusiasts and are in the process of building their own home on an acre plot overlooking the entire Bay Area. She also has been active in P.T.A. Cub Scouts, and was treasurer of the San Leandro Civic Orchestra Auxiliary.

MRS. LEE (nee Deon Leah Richards) was born in Kamas, Utah, the daughter of the late Karl and Thelma Richards. Her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Leah Smithies Richards, still lives in Kamas, Utah, and is nearing her 90th birthday. Mrs. Lee is the paternal great-granddaughter of the late Franklin D. Richards; sister of Mrs. Burdette Hixson (Jean Richards) who recently moved from Salt Lake City to Sunnyvale, with her husband and four children.

ALTA MIRA was organized in 1907 and is a member of the General Federation and California Federation of Women's Clubs and the California Council Federation of Garden Clubs, and has an active membership of 250. It consists of cultural, philanthropic, educational and social programs. The clubhouse is a registered California historical land-mark, built on a small portion of the Rancho De San Antonio, deeded to Don Luis Maria Peralta, August 16, 1820, from the Spanish Crown. Nearly all the territory of this grant is now covered by the cities of Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda, El Cerrito, Richmond and San Leandro.

The front part of the building is one of the original hand-made brick structures erected in San Leandro during 1850 the rear section of wood was added in 1875. It has fine etched-glass doors in the hallway, marble and white alabaster fireplaces, shipped around the Horn from Italy. The club will celebrate it's Golden Anniversary this year; the oldest woman's club in the area.



MRS. ROBERT M. LEE is taking over this month as president of the Alta Mira Club of San Leandro.

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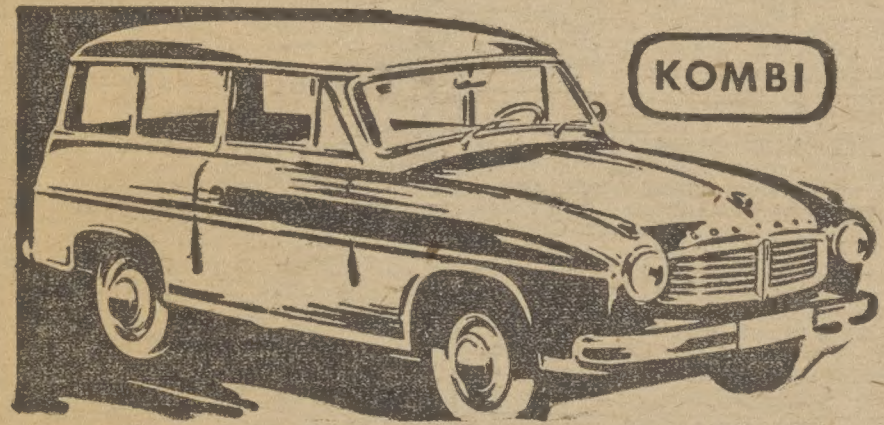
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Organizations of Hayward Stake All Prepared for Fall Activities

By Gertrude Lesser

From reports, it seems that all Hayward Stake organizations during the summer months have been busy planning their individual fall programs.

Primary

The Primary Stake Board held a meeting Aug. 8, at the home of President Cloma Maxwell. Luncheon was served 13 Board members after which Colleen Justus presented the In-Service lesson. Preparation meeting, which began the new 1957-58 Primary year was held Aug. 16, at the Hayward Ward Chapel at 10:00 a.m. Officers and teachers of all wards of the stake attended. Bertha Berger conducted and the new Standard "I Am My Heavenly Father's Child" was introduced by Norma Hartley. Centerville Ward had the highest percentage of attendance for the meeting previous, and therefore, received the visual aids which were used for the Standard. After regular class work a luncheon was served. Two members of the Priesthood attended.

Sister Iris Dennis, the Seagull leader on the Primary Board underwent a major operation recently. She is doing as well as can be expected. Sister Donna Sibley has been released from the Primary Board with a vote of thanks. The Sibleys are moving to San Luis Obispo. Donna has served faithfully since the Hayward Stake Primary Board was organized and just this past month received her five-year Primary Service Certificate and pin.

The Primary Birthday Service "Help Me Find The Way" was presented in six of the eight wards of our Stake the first Sunday in August. Two wards, Castro Valley and San Leandro, will present this program in September. The programs with all the children at their best, were pleasing to the parents and to the ward members. The program portrayed parents' responsibilities in the spiritual growth of their children and introduced the song "I Am A Child Of God."

Mutual

Compliments are in order for the Castro Valley baseball team, winners in the Hayward Stake tour-

namment. We are sorry our prize team was less fortunate in the finals but we wish to acknowledge their efforts and wish them better luck next year.

"Meet Me At Mutual" was an important night for all Stake members when they gathered at San Lorenzo Ward, Aug. 27, at 8:00 p.m. for an inspiring evening. Slides, presented at the MIA Convention in June at Salt Lake City were shown. The MIA theme for the 1957-58 year was presented after which Donna Schipper enlarged on the theme with her talk "The Reason Is A Seed." Dancing followed. Stake officers held an all day planning session.

Sunday School

From the Instructor Report sent out by the General Board of the General Board of the Sunday School from Salt Lake City, Hayward Stake received the month ORCHID for July, 1957. It seems they were third in the church for highest percentage increase in Instructor subscriptions.

Achievements

Always happy to hear of the accomplishments of our young people we learn that on Aug. 15, 1957, Albert Warren Berg, a ninth grade student at Hayward High School, received the 1957 Industrial Arts Award, given by Ford Foundation. Albert Warren won first prize for his entry which was a ukelele made of plastic. He received a check for \$100 dollars, a gold pin and a gold certificate for himself. Also, there was a trophy presented to the school and a certificate presented to his teacher and the school. He was one of 50,000 entrants throughout Canada, Hawaii, Alaska, the United States and Puerto Rico. The ukelele will be exhibited at various places throughout the United States. Albert is the son of Warren and Irene Berg of Hayward First Ward.

Hayward and Walnut Creek Stakes Report Stakes' Mission Progress

Mission reports for the Hayward and the Walnut Creek Stakes are summarized herewith for recent months.

During the month of July the Hayward Stake mission exceeded its record of the previous month in many categories.

The mission had 45 missionaries in July; 41 in June. These 45 were

out at work 11.11 times per missionary in July, while for June the figure stood at 6.85.

The average hours spent per missionary in the work was 22.11 in July as against 13.48 in June, while 160 cottage meetings were held in July as compared with 131 in June.

However, the convert baptisms were the same in each of these

Walnut Creek Stake

Lafayette-Orinda Ward Meetings Held at Rheem Shopping Center

Meetings of the newly-created Lafayette-Orinda Ward of the Walnut Creek Stake are being held temporarily at the Rheem Shopping Center south of Lafayette, it is announced by Bishop Owen Collett.

Priesthood meetings are at 8:30 Sunday mornings, Sunday School at 10:30, and Sacrament Service at 5:30 p.m.

Bishop Collett and his counselors, Edmund Y. Wells and Stanton Benson were sustained in July to head the new 435-member ward formed from the former Orinda Branch plus former members of the Walnut Creek Ward from Pleasant Hill Road west. Floyd Rydahl was sustained as Ward Clerk.

35 Senior Aaronics Graduated From First W. C. Stake School

Graduation of 35 students from the first class of the Walnut Creek Stake Senior Aaronic School was held at the Walnut Creek Pleasant Hill Ward Chapel Sunday, August 25. The ceremonies concluded a 14-week course began May 23, the first of a series of such schools tentatively scheduled by the Stake Presidency.

Students were members of the Senior Aaronic Priesthood and their wives. Sessions were scheduled for one hour a week, but frequently ran an hour overtime because of the interest manifested by students. Attendance continued high despite the vacation season.

CO-CHAIRMAN of the school were Kenneth D. Jensen, First Counselor to Walnut Creek Stake President Norman B. Greer, and Joseph W. Brown of the Stake Senior Aaronic Committee. Rudolph Fjellstrom was supervisor of instructors. Both instructors and students pronounced the school "highly successful."

Announced purpose of the school was to prepare the men for advancement into the Melchizedek and to increase the knowledge of their wives about their husbands' functions, duties, and powers in the Priesthood.

Subject included: the Plan of Exaltation; the Priesthood—its Nature, Purpose, and History; its Duties, Ordinances and Responsibility; a Brief History of the Church, its Present Officers and Organization; the Book of Mormon and re-

months, that is six each month. In May 15 were baptized.

Walnut Creek missionaries numbered 49 in June; 52 in May.

As a result, at least, of the lesser number of workers in June, all the missionary activities were reduced in June compared with the month of May.

The number of convert baptisms in the Walnut Creek stake mission were six in June and 10 in May, making a total of 36 for the first six months of the year 1957.

Vinal G. Mauss

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Rodeo Ward

Vacations Will Soon Be Over

By Una Ellsworth

Mrs. Joe Miller has returned to her home from Salt Lake City, where she was called because of an illness of her daughter, Julie who is much improved.

Members of the James Majestic family are well again, after a siege of chicken-pox.

Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Lott and daughter, Rosemary spent a two weeks vacation, visiting their native state, Utah. Much of their time was spent at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jon Fitt, who make their home on the campus at BYU, where Brother Fitt is majoring in dentistry.

Brother and sister Garlen Eggman of Porterville are spending some time at the home of a brother and sister in law, the Lewis Oborns.

Bishop Vernal Horn, sister Horn, and their three little daughters vacationed for a few days in the high Sierra.

The Relief Society will hold a bazaar and a Ward carnival on Oct. 25, in the Veteran's Memorial hall. There will be plenty to eat. All are invited.

Brother Roy Echols and his family enjoyed their vacation at Clear Lake.

Vacations are over for Blaine and Margaret Lott who visited in Utah and Montana. Also for the Dean Okdens and the Jack Greens and their families.

The Mutual sponsored a swimming party at the Richmond plunge on Aug. 21. Each youngsters bought his sandwiches. Watermelon was furnished.

Brother and sister Don Millgate returned from a six weeks vacation trip to their former home in Fryeburg, Maine. Upon their arrival home, they received the news that sister Millgate's sister, Mrs. Tom Howard was very ill. Sister Millgate left at once to be with her sister in Salt Lake City.

The Blaine Lotts and the Dean Ballards are sporting brand new cars.

New Arrivals

Brother and sister Lewis Oborn of Richmond are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a nine pound son, born July 31. He has been named William Virgil. Ma-

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Berkeley First Ward

Nathan Tolmans Now Occupying Birthplace Shrine of Prophet

The famous birthplace shrine of the Prophet Joseph Smith at Sharon, Vermont is now occupied by Nathan and LaRee Tolman, who are official receptionists.

Called to this two-year mission by the Church authorities in late July, the Tolmans left Berkeley by automobile on their journey East August 7. A farewell program honored the Berkeley First Ward couple Sunday, August 4.

Elder Tolman, an Oakland junior high school teacher until his retirement this year, had served nearly 20 years as a high councilman. Until his call he was chairman of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake committee charged with placing Books of Mormon in motels, hotels and other public places. Sister Tolman had been a leader in YWMA work in the original Oakland Stake.

THE PROPHET'S birthplace shrine in Vermont stands on the old Mack farm which Joseph Smith Sr. and his wife, Lucy Mack Smith, rented from Lucy's father in 1804. It was here on December 23, 1905, that Joseph Smith was born.

And here, exactly 100 years later the Church dedicated the present Memorial Cottage and Memorial Monument on December 23, 1905. Some 25 prominent Church officials and members, led by President Joseph F. Smith, journeyed from Salt Lake City for the purpose of opening the Memorial Cottage to the public as a perpetual shrine to the memory of the great prophet of the last dispensation.

By four separate conveyances of land, purchased under direction of President Joseph F. Smith, the Mack homestead in Sharon township, Windsor County, Vermont, and some adjoining lands were obtained by the Church in 1905, amounting in all to 253 acres.

ON THIS SITE a neat Memorial Cottage was built and nearby, on a crowning hilltop was erected an imposing polished Vermont granite Memorial Monument, dedicated to the Prophet Smith. The shaft rises 38½ feet high, each foot representing one year in the Prophet's life.

B. H. Roberts, Church historian, describes the site in his comprehensive History of the Church as follows:

"The cottage and memorial shaft occupy a low rise of ground in the center of a somewhat irregular circular basin in the hill country of beautiful Vermont, removed a small distance northward from the valley of the White River, famous for the ever-changing beauty of its wind-basin, Memorial Cottage and Monu-

ment . . . takes on the appearance of a proper jewel in the fitting environment of the hills everlasting."

OTHER HISTORIC Church sites have since been acquired and opened as shrines to public visits and with official receptionists in charge.

Among these are Carthage Jail in Illinois and the Smith Farm and Sacred Grove at Manchester, near Palmyra, New York. The Church also has acquired property nearings.

"Seen from any one of the commanding heights of the rouse of hills, which from the rim of the the temple site in Independence, Missouri, at the old temple site in Far West, Missouri, and in Nauvoo, Illinois.

Are You Attending Sacrament Meetings?



NATHAN AND LAREE TOLMAN as they left Berkeley August 7 on their journey to Sharon, Vermont, to preside at the Memorial Cottage at the birthplace of Joseph Smith.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.



SEEN DOUBLE, as the result of a reflection in the water, is the Joseph Smith Memorial Cottage and monument at Sharon, Windsor Township, Vermont.

Ralph Hardistys of Upper Lake Relay Big 'Hello' to Old Friends

The Ralph Hardistys of Upper Lake, were shopping in the Bay Area the latter part of August, and left a "hello" to their old friends in the Berkeley Ward of ten and fifteen years ago.

The children of the Hardistys are now grown and most of them married and scattered.

Richard has just returned from

a 27-month mission in France and Switzerland. On his journey home from New York he visited with his older brother, now Capt. Vernon Hardisty, Air Force ROTC instructor at the University of North Dakota.

Zola, who fulfilled a mission while a member of Berkeley Ward and later married Quentin Taylor and lived here with him for a time, is now residing in Harmony Hills, the LDS colony out from San Juan Bautista, California. Quentin is the town barber in San Juan.

Quevev lives in Santa Rosa where her husband now presides as Bishop Vaughn of Santa Rosa Fourth Ward. By the way, she was having a hospital experience the latter part of June but is now home again.

Larry, the oldest, with his wife and family of six lives on the Ralph Hardisty farm in Sabastopol, commuting to Oakland to serve the Southern Pacific as a railroad engineer. Joan, the youngest, is currently at the BYU in Provo.

Friends may like to know that the Hardisty's address is simply P. O. Box 42, Upper Lake, California.

Golden Driggs To Give Talk At Los Altos Ward

The featured speaker at the Los Altos Benefit dinner Friday, October 11 will be Golden K. Driggs of Fresno. Driggs is an outstanding speaker, and is well known throughout Northern California, as an expert in the field of Public Relations. He is much in demand as the featured speaker for many Sales Conferences. (He is a brother-in-law of President Aird McDonald).

The benefit is being sponsored by the Sunday School of the Los Altos Ward, under the direction of Superintendent Leon Wheatley, and the chairman in charge is Rod Pulley. Contributions for the ward building fund will be accepted, and anyone interested please call the Pulley residence: YO. 8-2072, or Wheatley: WH. 8-6166.

Driggs is looking forward to greeting his many friends from the Northern California area at the dinner.

Salt Lake City. Al and Dorothy Thomas spent two weeks in Ogden with Pat and Ben Holbrook. Marla and Michael Payne planned to spend the summer with their grandparents in Ogden but Marla had the misfortune to fall from a cherry tree and suffered a broken arm, so her vacation was cut short and she's home again.

Also on the sick list was Diane Poterson, who had her tonsils out. She's feeling fine now.

New members who have moved into the ward are Charles and Jean Last, and Jim and Dorothy Goutier. Members recently baptised are Barbara Owens, Helen Santel, Peggy Bryan and Steven Adams. Welcome!

Efil and Maurine Malmberg have a new baby boy, Eric Alan, born August 10, 1957.

Concord Second

Mrs. Carlson Honored For Long Service

By Donna Bates

Olevia Carlson who has served as counselor to three Relief Society presidents, was honored at the luncheon during the work and business meeting August 13. As counselor to Marie Barber, Ella Carlson and Norma Erickson, she has given many hours of service to this organization.

Maurine Malmberg recently was released as counselor in the Primary and Joan Snow has taken her place.

A surprise house-warming was given Bishop and Sister Adams in their new home by members of the ward. Their home was started a year ago and they have done much of the work themselves. Ward members wished them much happiness on their moving day.

Vacationers this month were the Karl Erickssons, who spent two weeks at Clear Lake, and returned looking tanned and relaxed. They have had as their house guest Norma's sister, Naomi Card, and her daughter, Lynn, from Canada.

Utah always charms its share of vacationers and during August Hugh and Florence Baird visited in



THIS INSIDE VIEW of the Memorial Cottage shows hearthstone. This is the original hearthstone from the cottage in which Prophet Joseph Smith was born December 23, 1805.

David Ellsworth Now Farm Agent In Kern County

John David Ellsworth, son of Von and Anna Ellsworth of Berkeley First Ward is reported now serving as the Farm Agent for the great agricultural Kern County, California, and living at Fresno.

He is also currently serving on a special committee investigating potato diseases in the district, besides his regular duties.

Recently David gave a review of the new book, "The Ellsworth Family History," before members of his Fresno Ward. The work was published in 1956 in Salt Lake City.

Edmund Ellsworth, sire of the LDS Ellsworth clan, a large family now scattered over the western states, married as his first wife the oldest daughter of President Brigham Young. This Edmund was called from his British Mission to lead the first handcart company to cross the plains to Utah in the early days.

Keeper of the Storehouse Is Key Man in Any Stake

By Gay Taylor

Unless you encounter misfortune, you may never come in contact with the activities of one of the key men of your stake. He is the keeper of the bishop's storehouse, who is in charge of the welfare supplies issued to the needy.

In Palo Alto Stake since October, 1955, the storekeeper has been Rondo Chatterley, born in Kanab, Utah, now a member of the Redwood City Ward.

His job is taxing. He is required to keep one year's stock of supplies on hand at all times, in case of emergency. This includes food, clothing, yard goods, blankets.

EACH QUARTER he must take inventory, each month price the goods issued and charge the cost against the accounts of the various bishops of the stake. There are the monthly reports and the quarterly reports, for we are a record-keeping people. The storehouse is open four hours a week for issuing supplies. Duties of the storekeeper also include sweeping the place out and keeping the stock tidy.

In Palo Alto Stake, the storekeeper takes charge of the production of the welfare cannery. As soon as the cans are labeled, they are turned over to Chatterley. He keeps what he needs (very little in this stake, where there are but few old people) and forwards the remainder to the regional welfare warehouse. He orders the foods and

commodities which this stake does not produce.

Ironically, even the needy do not as a rule meet the storekeeper. Most of the welfare is picked up and distributed by the bishops and Relief Society presidents. But the rewards of this job, like many another unsung Church task, do not come from self glorification.

CHATTERLEY WAS a mess sergeant during World War II, and while in the Army found time to woo and win Sonja ("Sunny") Egolf of Philadelphia. They now have two children, Cheryl, 10 and Susan, 6. He was a cook before the war, but being a mess sergeant cured him and he got out never wanting to see another store. He became a business machine repairman.

Rondo thinks Sunny improved her name by changing it from Egolf to Chatterley. But Sunny thinks Rondo bettered himself, also, by becoming Lady Chatterley's Lover.

LIKE MANY a good man, Ron-



ISSUING WELFARE SUPPLIES to the needy is job of Rondo Chatterley, storekeeper of the bishops' storehouse, Palo Alto Stake. The storehouse is housed in the stake welfare cannery building at Redwood City. "Deseret" brand is Church label for supplies intended exclusively for welfare use. (Photo: Gay Taylor, 1954 Stockbridge ave., Redwood City).

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Most people won't know it, but soon another storekeeper will be issuing welfare supplies for Palo Alto Stake, keeping accounts making reports, and sweeping the place out. Rondo Chatterley soon will be released. He has been sustained as Clerk of the Redwood City Ward.

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Los Altos Ward

Victor L. Riches and His Wife Describe the New Middle East

Camels, caravans, tents and desert dress, though picturesque, are no longer true symbols of life in the Middle East. Instead, airplane, trains, and motor cars now provide most of the transportation; and modern buildings and western clothes of the native population further dispel the misconceptions of most visitors who see such countries as Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, and Israel for the first time.

These are the observations of Victor L. Riches and his wife, Gwen, of the Los Altos Ward, who recently returned from a 3½ month trip to that area. Speaking before some 50 ward members at the home of Reed F. Francis, first counselor in the bishopric, the returned travelers described their impressions and experiences in places visited, including several Bibleland cities. Their headquarters were in Beirut, a city of about a half million Christians and Mohammedans and capital of Lebanon, at the eastern end of the Mediterranean Sea.

AVAILABILITY of petroleum products from the Middle East oil fields, at moderate prices, contribute to Beirut's heavy motor traffic in which unlike most European cities, large American cars predominate. Most buildings are of substantial construction and modern shops are stocked mainly with Western goods, though some native bazaars are in evidence. There is a large university that provides business and professional training in many fields, including engineering and medicine.

As a representative of the Stanford Research Institute, Riches made a survey of present industries leading to recommendations for further development. Friendship for the United States, attributable to economic and technical aid, was in evidence through most of the area. The couple reported a Latter-day Saint Sunday School in Beirut. An Easter trip to Jerusalem, by way of Damascus, included a visit to Bethlehem, the Mount of Olives Tomb of Christ, Jericho, and a view of the Sea of Galilee. Many small native shops around the holy sepulchre over the tomb provided a sharp contrast to the emotions of those who came to do spiritual homage and to mourn.

DEEP-ROOTED tension between Arab and Jewish populations was in frequent evidence as was also much distress in refugee camps. Another observation was the ingenious use by Moslems, of electronic equipment and phonograph records for calling large groups to prayer. Riches' studies included visits to

Baghdad in Iraq and to oil-producing areas in Iran. Under-development of much of the vast area of the Middle East is traceable, he believes, to the effects of historic wars plus political instability. These have discouraged local efforts to establish major industries and restore lost soil fertility. However in Beirut, sometimes called the Paris of the Middle East, many Arabs are advanced industrially, professionally and culturally. They are hospitable and receptive of methods and ideas that give promise of further progress.

With its mountains and beaches, Lebanon is scenically attractive and fruit growing is an important part of its agriculture. The Los Altos couple, traveling by plane, ship, and motor car between March and mid-July, visited many historic areas in the United States and Europe as well as in the Middle East. Among them were Washington, D.C., New York, London, Paris, Rome, Vienna, Amsterdam, and several cities in Germany and Switzerland.

Growth Of

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branch in 1954, with 120 members. Meanwhile, the stake organization progressed just as phenomenally from a part of the Berkeley Stake to formation of the Walnut Creek Stake in 1956 with Dr. Ranker as its first president. On his death last February he was succeeded by Norman B. Creer, previously First Counselor.

WALNUT CREEK Stake Presidency, comprising Presidents Creer, Kenneth D. Jensen (the same), and Joseph Roy Hilton, former Bishop of Pleasant Hill Ward, now presides over eight wards with a total membership near 5,000. The wards include: Concord and Concord Second, Martinez, Lafayette-Orinda, Pittsburg, Pleasant Hill, Rodeo, and Walnut Creek.

Children's Friend Now On Sale At Magazine Racks of Bay Area

The "Children's Friend" is now a friend to all who browse through magazine racks.

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President Delbert H. Rock of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake Presidency, said he and others have received marked cooperation in having the region's big magazine agencies include the Children's Friend among their usual consignments.

It is selling well, said President Rock. Many hundreds are being purchased by Bay Area mothers for the guidance and entertainment of their children.

You can help in this worthwhile educational campaign by calling attention of your friends to the magazine, reminds President Rock.

San Mateo County D.U.P. Camp Writes History

A surprise to many Latter-day Saint people of the Bay area is the fact that the history of the Saints in California predates the Mormons in Utah. It was on Saturday August 1, 1846, almost a full year before the Mormon pioneers arrived in the Salt Lake Valley, that Sam Brannan brought his company of Saints in the good ship **Brooklyn** through the Golden Gate and landed at the little town of Yerba Buena, subsequently known as San Francisco.

Such is an incident of a book in preparation by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, San Mateo County, Palo Alto Stake. The history was begun some twenty years

ago, according to Esther Stephens, captain of the San Mateo County chapter. When the book will be completed and published, nobody yet knows. When issued, it should be a contribution to Americans as well as Mormon history, embracing as it does the colorful career of Sam Brannan, the man who announced to the world the discovery of gold in California, who presided over the first non-Catholic service ever held in San Francisco, started the first school there, published the first newspaper, became California's wealthiest citizen; who fell away from the Church and died in poverty, unremembered except a short street in San Francisco bearing his name.

Camp meetings of the DUP for the coming season begin in September, according to Mrs. Stephens. In addition to work on the book, members are engaged in writing family histories and pioneer anecdotes, which are forwarded to Salt Lake headquarters for publication.

Other officers of the county chapter are as follows: Matilda Linebarger, first Vice President; Ruby B. Cannon, second Vice President; Ettie Ballam, Recording Secretary; Violet Hathaway, Corresponding Secretary; Henrietta Harris, Treasurer; Harriett Zeitschel, Registrar; Chloe Hancock Nelson, Historian; Eloise Baker; Chaplain; Dean White, Chorister; Iris Pickering, Organist; Klis Worley Baretta, Parliamentarian; and Gladys Caulfield, Keeper of the Relics.

Families Tell of

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one else was to be received during the period of the test.

This deal is part of a plan by the officers of the Alameda Ward to make the saints there more conscious of the Church's oft repeated counsel to store food for an emergency, in fact, for as long as one year.

The families making the report at the sacrament meeting were the Calvin Carlson, the Thys Winkel, and the Martensen families.

The bishopric announced that another group of the ward's families has been appointed. They will be expected to follow the same regimen as mentioned above, and then report in the following Sunday sacrament meeting.

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Los Altos Ward

Jim Sparks Cited for His Outstanding Generosity

By Dallas S. Burch

Disclosure at a recent Los Altos Ward priesthood meeting that Elder James F. Sparks, who lives on an unusually modest scale, had contributed by far more to the ward building fund than any other member evoked appreciative comments from friends who know him best. One remarked, "He has the least to do with, but has done the most." Another said, "He has an exceedingly humble home here on earth but has already laid the foundations for a mansion in heaven." Still another commented, "Anything you can say about Jim's devotion to the church and his generosity will be an understatement." And because the building of chapels is such a vital influence in spreading the gospel, the incident suggested that more details concerning so generous a member would be of broad interest.

Up to the middle of August, his contribution to the current ward building fund for enlarging the chapel and providing more classrooms considerably exceeded \$900. This is more than quadruple the average contribution of all families, many of which are headed by successful business and professional men; and it is nearly twice the amount of the next largest contribution. Jim Sparks, an elderly bachelor who lives alone, is known to have meager possessions and his current earnings are mainly from filing saws—hence the natural question: How does he do it? The answer is: By economical living, by many small but frequent contributions, and a burning desire to help extend the gospel.

At the age of 82 he still does ward teaching and until a few years ago, he often walked the three miles from his home to the chapel to attend services. He still comes regularly but rides with

Redwood City

Movie Depicts Lasting Values Of Temple Vows

Feature of August activity for the Redwood City Ward MIA was the showing of a film, "How Near to the Angels." This picture, in full color, was made by the Brigham Young University around the theme of temple marriage, for Church distribution.

The story is of a typical Beehive Girl, and the temptations and pitfalls she overcomes as she matures.

First there is the habit of cutting Mutual to have different fun with the gang. An incident shocks her into the realization that she is taking the wrong path.

Boys next enter her life. She is dazzled by the football hero, but when he leaves the Gold and Green ball early to take her to a disreputable roadhouse, she has to make another decision to maintain her standards.

Then she falls in love. The young man's intentions are strictly honorable by the standards of the world—marriage. But she wants marriage for time and eternity.

She has thought that love can come only once, but she finds that there is another young man, whose ideals are the same as hers, with whom she wants to share not only her life on earth but all eternity.

The film is well produced and handsomely mounted, filled with nostalgic scenes for those born in Utah. The cast is competent, and only occasionally is there a reminder that the people in the picture are taken from everyday life and are not professional actors. This is a film with a message, and all other values are subordinate.



JAMES F. SPARKS ("Generous Jim"), outstanding donor to Los Altos Ward building fund. Filing saws is his chief current vocation.

—(Photo by Robert Hopkins.)

friends. Bishop Lyle B. Egan points out that Jim's current generosity is by no means an impulsive first experience. Back in 1950 when a few of the local saints as a branch, met in a rented building in Mountain View, the possibility of having their own chapel arose for discussion. "Let's start a building fund right now," Jim suggested, "here's ten dollars to begin with." And when, several years later, the time came to break ground, the committee in charge designated Jim Sparks to turn the first shovelful of earth.

Intrigued by such devotion to church work, this reporter sought to find some reason for it in Jim's early life. Born on a Kentucky farm in 1875, he left there when 25 years old, never to return. After three years in Virginia, he worked in Colorado, Washington, Montana, Oregon, and Idaho—principally in logging and railroad construction and maintenance work. In 1926 railroad duties took him to Eureka,

California, and the following year to Mountain View where he now lives.

James Sparks' activity in the church began in 1899, when he became a convert, the year before he left Kentucky. By 1910 he had advanced to an elder but opportunities were few for much active organized religious work in the logging and railroad camps. Since coming to California he has been a Sunday School counselor and also performed an assignment at the Mesa (Ariz.) Temple. This inquiry disclosed no outside influence to explain his unusual generosity, hence the conclusion that such zeal, prompted by the gospel, comes from within.

Attend Reunion

The Garyl and Max Fisher families and the John Morgan family of San Lorenzo are attending a reunion of the Eli Clark pioneer family in Idaho Falls.

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First prize in the "Family History Contest," consisted of a trip to the Los Angeles Temple, and was won by Leslie L. Francis of Los Altos Ward. Other prize winners in this event, sponsored by the Genealogical Committee, were, second, A. Earl White, Menlo Park; third, Joan B. Lindsay, Menlo Park; fourth, Rosabelle Durrant, San Mateo Second; and fifth, Arlean Miner, Sunnyvale.

Some 1800 people were on hand for the annual celebration.



CELEBRATING HER RECENT arrival from New Zealand, Mitzie Rivers, left, dons native garb with her sister, Rubina, of Redwood City Ward, for a Maori ceremonial dance. Rubina has been in America nine months, and Mitzie is the fourth of the thirteen children in the family to be sponsored for entry into the United States, and other two being Natalie and Mavis. Two brothers, Eddie and Charles, have been sponsored are on their way. Which leaves the parents, Moody and Ouisa Rivers, together with Harry, 15, Jean, 14, Louise, 11, Yvonne, 9, Reoma, 7, and Pettina, 3, still in Auckland awaiting sponsorship by sympathetic U.S. residents. And, in case you have been counting, Sally, 25, is happily married in New Zealand and wants to stay there. The family is LDS, and the father, Moody, is an accountant, being also qualified as an auto mechanic.—(Photo: Gay Taylor, Redwood City, Calif.)

Changes Made In Branch Offices

By Agnes Jean Babcock

Major changes of officers in the Sharp Park Branch recently include:

Robert Parry was released as first counselor to President Steed to take the position of President of the Elders' Quorum. John Russell replaced James Hopkins as second counselor to the Branch President and Brother Hopkins was made first counselor.

Sister Jane Steed was sustained Relief Society President at the release of Donna Hopkins and her counselor Lillian Prestwich. Sister Steed has chosen one counselor, so far, Birdeen Parry.

Reuben Burell is the new Sunday

School Superintendent in place of John Russell. Warren Riggs replaced Paul Evans as first assistant and Tom Wood took the place of Warren Riggs for second assistant.

The first MIA meeting of the Sharp Park Branch was held on the evening of Tuesday, July 23 under the direction of the newly appointed officers. The Young Men's superintendency consists of Paul Evans, Superintendent; Victor Gallegos, Actually assistant and the Age Group assistant is not yet appointed. Marilyn Russell is President for the Young Women. Her counselors are Dorothy Odekirk, Age Group; and Marian Pettibone, Activity.

An attendance of 26 made the meeting successful. Thirty-nine Branch members attended the following Tuesday meeting which was in the form of a beach party. Games and picnicking were enjoyed.



ONE HUNDRED PER CENT ATTENDANCE at Sunday School and Sacrament meetings and 80 per cent attendance at MIA for a period of 10 months earned for these 13 girls of Burlingame Ward a trip to the Los Angeles Temple where they participated in baptismal. They performed a total of 275 baptisms. The girls also enjoyed the Bob Crosby TV show at the CBS station, a visit to Farmers Market, where they lunched and a trip to Knotts Berry Farm for dinner and fun. From left, they are Chaperon Vida Peterson, Katie Todd, Patty Daniels, Mavis Haskel, Kathy Warren, Pam Razovich, Deanna Warren, Judy Benjamin, Karin Palmer, Susan Edwards, Deanna Bybee, Anita Howard, Linda Moore. Not in picture are Pat Berkeley and Chaperon Helen Razovich.

Fresno Stake Farm Leader

By I. B. Ball

Perhaps every one of the more than 200 LDS stakes could lay some claim to at least one unusual feature of their area.

But there is only one stake that can say that their county has beef the ranking county in the nation in the total agricultural production for the past six years.

And of course that is Fresno County, California.

We rode across that fabulous land recently while on a visit to Coalinga in the extreme western part of the county and then drove to Fresno City, crossing over the high Coast Range where these mountains rise up several times higher than they do in the northern part of the state.

In Coalinga we were in the cantaloupe capital of the nation and at the same time in the center of an oil producing region which includes the Kettleman Hills and Coalinga Valley.

But cotton! The branch president at Coalinga, Brother Conn, is owner of one of the large cotton ranches. It's a beautiful crop as it grows, in height and general appearance much like a thriving tomato crop. From Coalinga valley and through the level area west of Fresno valley we passed scores of these huge cotton ranches. They are about 2000 acres in size on the average. Cotton gins stood at every few cross roads.

And they tell you that the Fresno Stake welfare farm is one of the few in the Church that actually pays each year and renders a nice profit over all expenses. Its grapes fittingly go into raisins rather than into wine.

Palo Alto Ward Stake Champions

Palo Alto ward received stake softball honors Thursday, August 15, in the form of a handsome 2-foot gold trophy. Palo Alto ward tied with Redwood City ward; both teams won 5, lost 3 out of 8 games. Palo Alto, after winning the play-off, went on to division competition, winning from San Jose but losing to Oakland Third ward. If Palo Alto places first for the next two years, the circulating trophy will fall into permanent possession of that ward.

Wendell Christensen of the Palo Alto Stake YMMIA Board presented the trophy to Richard Stoddard who received it for the team and for coach Bruce Haight.

Los Altos Ward

Romneys Feted On Pioneer Day

In commemoration of Pioneer Day, the Los Altos Camp of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers held an outdoor dinner and campfire, July 24, on the estate of Col. and Mrs. Floyd W. Goates, 123 Burke Ave., Los Altos. Twenty-six persons enjoyed a chicken dinner at which Apostles Marion Romney and

Mrs. Romney were guests of honor.

Miniature covered wagons, as table decorations, recalled the pioneer days and experiences of early settlers from whom most of those present were descended; and a quiz contest on historical subjects provided both entertainment and a refresher course on pioneer lore. Stories and music around a large fire completed the celebration.

In charge of arrangements were: Jessica Goates, Josephine Sanders, and Violet Smith, all active members of the local pioneer organization. (continued on page 15)

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Blessings for Genealogy Action

Reported by S. F. Stake Convert

By Sallie Nickel

When we look at television, read the newspapers, and read novels, we are constantly reminded that there were people here before us. They walked, talked and lived on the same land that most of us live on now. More than a few were related to us. Do we know all of those by name who belong in our family? It is sad not to know who our forefathers were. I have heard legends about my family for a long time. My mother has told me so much and some times she gets mixed up, and cannot connect the relationship.

When I was very small, I remember asking my mother if we were related to anyone famous. My mother's answer then was that one day when she had the money she would have the family traced. That was 20 years ago. Now we have the start of the family history, from my workshop classes in the

Mission Ward

Religion Must Be Lived Daily, Bishop Reminds

Bishop's Message: "Our religion is not a Sunday religion, one that can be put on and taken off like a coat. It must be lived every day, at work, at school and among non-members as well as in our church assemblies if we are to measure up for the blessings that are rightfully ours. We will be judged by our works, and we are being judged right here and now, not only by our Heavenly Father, but by those we contact daily. We will be blessed for leading others to the truth by the power of our example, and surely in the same manner we will be condemned for leading others astray by our actions. The Lord has given us the truth that we might guide all men. Along with this gift goes a sacred and solemn responsibility!"

—Bishop Vinal R. Lefler.

Congratulations to two new members of our ward who were baptized and confirmed in August. They are: Nancy Parker, daughter of Frederick C. and Virginia Evans Parker; and William Wardley—son of William C. and Claire Garcia Wardley.

We are proud of the following brethren who have been advanced in the Aaronic Priesthood and have willingly accepted further responsibility in the work of the Lord. They are: Leonard C. Onn, from Deacon to Teacher; Lynn R. Bryant, from Deacon to Teacher; and Andrew J. Roesberry from Teacher to Priest. The Relief Society mothers and children enjoyed a pleasant day at Fleishhacker Zoo and Playground on Tuesday August 13. It was the closing social for the summer program. The group enjoyed a picnic lunch, watermelon, cold drinks and a healthy sun-tan.

The Primary Association presented a stimulating program on Sunday evening, August 4, conducted by Emma Downs, first counselor in the Presidency. Teaching the gospel in the home was the theme of the evening. It was dramatically portrayed by the primary children and several parents, demonstrating that teaching children the gospel is primarily the parents' privilege and responsibility.

Walter Pietch writes from Lung-burg, Germany that he is enjoying his mission, working hard and already has his second companion. He states that he had a pleasant ocean voyage to Europe, sailing on the floating palace, USS "United States." He was in charge of nine missionary companions. They landed in LeHavre, France and took the train to Paris where they were met by the mission president, and later assigned to his present post.

stake.

I JOINED the Church three years ago. Genealogy was and is my main project. My mother is a non-member, but she is so helpful and enthusiastic about the work. There is a prayer in my heart that she will receive the spirit of the Lord, through the greatest of all missionaries—genealogy.

When I joined the Church I lived by the laws set forth. I had the facts but was unable to correlate them. As I studied and applied what I had learned, I began to have results. But I was not satisfied with the progress. I seemed to be lacking something. I took stock of my life and made the necessary changes to insure that if the Lord willed, I would receive his spirit.

I can say with all truth that the Lord has blessed me with his spirit many many times. I might be feeling blue and be tempted to do something that was not pleasing to Him. I would look in the mail box and there would be my answer. One or more letters that would require my attention at once. This would be the answer to my prayers.

It was such a good feeling to be able to add one or more facts to a fast growing pedigree sheet.

I BELIEVE with all my heart that this search for our kindred dead is such a necessary work. I know that the Lord blesses everyone who takes a pen in hand to make an effort to gain a knowledge of our ancestors. In ratio He blesses those who help themselves.

I pray that the people who talk about doing some research would make a start. Action speaks louder than words.

I humbly pray that I may have the spirit of the Lord, to complete my family genealogy, for I know that I am doing the Lord's work.

San Francisco

Primary Program Aug. 4, Inspiring

By Echo May

"Help Me Find the Way," the Primary Association Sunday Evening service, August 4, was inspiring. In song and through dramatization the responsibilities of training children spiritually were clearly and effectively pointed out, the primary responsibility being that of the parents.

"And again, inasmuch as parents have children in Zion, or in any of her stakes which are organized that teach them not to understand the doctrine of repentance, faith in Christ the Son of the living God, and of baptism and the gift of the Holy Ghost by the laying on of the hands, when eight years old, the sin be upon the heads of the parents." (D and C 68:25)

The Mutual sponsored a swimming party August 6, for all members of the ward. After swimming the group returned to the recreation hall for barbecued hamburgers and milk.

Geoffrey Homolya was graduated from Primary and ordained a Deacon in the Aaronic Priesthood before he left to live in Salt Lake City. Carol Wyman and Dianne Rutherford were also graduated from Primary, and accepted into the Beehive class of the Young Women's Mutual Improvement Association.

James Lynch, James Daily, Jr., and John and Norman Ness won marksmanship and pro-marksmanship medals at the Presidio Gun Club which is under the auspices of the National Rifle Association. The boys are now ready for the next step of marksman First class. Scouts have the privilege of rifle practice at the Presidio and Troop 91 is taking full advantage of this opportunity.



EVERYBODY WORKS at the Palo Alto Stake welfare cannery. This is opening night of the season, and before the season ends every willing saint in the stake will have given an evening or more. Those under 16 will baby-sit for cannery workers. Tonight it is peaches. Quota, 2,000 cans for the evening. People from various wards are called for two-hour shifts, 40 people to the shift. The cannery, built in Redwood City nine years ago, is the major welfare effort of the stake. All but a few hundred of the season's quota of 45,000 cans will be shipped away for distribution to other areas. Peaches are scalded to loosen the skin in vats (upper left), delivered to women at tables who peel and halve them, put in cans and sugared (upper right), then travel through steam tunnel (far right) to sealer. Cannery Supervisor Ralph H. Martin of the High Council, who has been in charge since the plant was built, gained his canning experience by doing, like everyone else. He did have some previous experience with cooking, he admits, when he used to make meat pies during the depression.—(Photo: Gay Taylor, 1954 Stockbridge ave, Redwood City).

San Francisco Stake

BESSIE SCHETTLER NAMED JR. HIGH VICE PRINCIPAL

By Jean Lauper

Interesting news for the many friends of the popular Hermann Schettler family is the appointment of Bessie Schettler to the office of vice principal of the James Denman Junior High School. Sister Schettler, who is a member of the Stake Sunday School faculty, has been a teacher both in Salt Lake City and San Francisco. She goes to this new responsibility from being head counselor at the Herbert Hoover Junior High School.

The general Priesthood meeting of the stake held August 12 had the largest attendance in the history of the stake.

The MIA of both wards and stake have had an unusually busy summer. One of the latest activities was the 'Summeree' for MIA Maids and Explorers which was attended by 81 young people on August 13. It was held at Paradise Cove in Marin county where a large bonfire climaxed an evening of food, games and dancing.

In July 41 girls went to Camp Liahona for the annual MIA encampment. Ellen Overson and Koy Roberts of the stake board accompanied them.

Wonderful news for Patriarch and Sister Winter. Their daughter Louise, Mrs. Sherwood Lacount of Harrison, Maine, gave birth to a son on August 5. The parents have named him Mark Whitney. Louise has several radio shows she presents daily and her husband is active in TV.

Gladys Winter, as stake Relief Society president and Ann Burgess of her board, went to the BYU to attend Leadership week in June. Following this the Winters traveled through northern Utah and Idaho where they visited Temples and met with relatives.

Nada Fluckiger, the delightful chorister of the Relief Society Board who met with such an unfortunate accident when thrown from her horse while visiting with her family, has returned to San Francisco and is well on her way to good health.

Sunday, August 11 Dr. Milton H. Brinton was released from his position as president of the Chinese

Polynesian Branch. He has moved his family to Orinda. Sustained in his place was Dr. Gilbert George Tobler, who is a physician at the Marine Hospital in San Francisco. Elder Tobler has fulfilled a mission in South Africa. His counselor is Eddie Te'o and Haymond Jue is

clerk.

The Chinese Polynesian Branch young people have written and produced an original musical play, which they presented on August 24. (continued on page 13)

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me; and the Lord whom ye seek shall
suddenly come to his temple."
—Malachi 3:1.

Advice to Missionary From His Grandfather

(Osmond Call, of Boise, Idaho, ordinarily does his Church speaking off the cuff and seldom uses even notes. But when faced with the task of speaking at missionary farewell services for his grandson, David T. Call, in Berkeley, Grandfather Call felt constrained to write his speech. "It came to me like an inspiration," he said, "and afterward I didn't change a word. And try as I might I couldn't memorize it." So he read the speech and it was so well received the Messenger herewith reprints it in full.)

David:

It is with a great deal of pride that I approach the task of representing your father on this momentous occasion. Because it is not practical for your parents to be here, we grandparents will attempt to fill in.

You are now approaching an experience that you have looked forward to most of your life, that of going on a mission to preach the gospel for the Church.

This experience can and probably will bring you great satisfaction, for you will be acting by divine authority, bringing a message of eternal salvation to those who heed. Therefore I counsel you to study diligently from good books, remembering always, "that to think without reading is dangerous, to read without thinking is a crime."

Pray fervently for the guidance of the Spirit; for you are going forth clothed in the authority of the Priesthood, to act in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Not only will your parents and your progenitors be judged by your actions, but the whole Church will feel the impact.

So conduct yourself in a manner that you know your parents would approve of; be courteous in your conduct, manly in your deportment, humble in demeanor, and rely on the Spirit of the Lord to lead you to the honest in heart.

Avoid contention, and shun arrogance as you would a plague. "And above all, to thine own self be true."

You have been prepared for this from your infancy, for your parents have taught you the basic principles. It is now your duty to teach them to others. Do this humbly, with a contrite spirit, and I am sure that you will be successful in your righteous undertakings.

You have been blessed above the average young man of your age, in that you have associated with people in far-away places, having strange customs and queer habits. Fortunately your parents were near at hand to help make your decisions.

Now you are going out as it were alone, without the guiding hand of a loving parent; but with the full assurance that your Heavenly Father is ever ready to listen and guide.

Heed the advice of those in authority, wherever you are.

Be diligent in your labors, but guard your health; you have a strong body, but even that has its limitations.

Remember that kind words can turn away wrath, and that a smile is the most contagious thing on earth. Practice it constantly as it will bring dividends.

It is not your job to solve the so-called mysteries of the kingdom, nor to harmonize the seeming differences of opinion in the writing of some of the brethren; but rather to teach the basic or fundamental principles of the gospel.

Do this and I assure you that your labors will not be in vain.

Do this and I bless you in the name of Jesus Christ:

New Ward Education Committee To Boost Seminaries

Appointment of ward education committees of three members in wards in which a seminary of the Church is operating or from which there are students attending a Seminary, has been approved by the Church Board of Education, Stake presidents of the Bay Area have been informed. The action was taken at a meeting presided over by President David O. McKay, on June 28.

DUTIES OF the ward committees include:

1. To encourage and to enroll all young people who are members of the ward, in a Seminary class, with this work to be carried out preferably during the summer months prior to the opening of the regular school year.
2. Where Seminary classes are held at an hour of the day which creates a transportation problem for the students, the committee is to organize the parents of the ward into a transportation pool so that students may be transported from their homes to the Seminary class, and where necessary, from the

Seminary class to the high school building.

3. To contact all young people of the ward who are attending or will attend college during the subsequent school year and urge them:

- A. To attend a Church college or
- B. If they attend other than a Church college, to affiliate with a college where an Institute of Religion is in operation and to enroll in these classes. In the case of students attending colleges or universities where there are no Institute classes, students are to be urged to attend a Deseret Club organized and directed by the Department of Education of the Church.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS are to further urge students going away from their homes to contact the local bishop or branch president of the area where the school is located and to retain full activity in the Church.

The committee is also asked to inform the bishop or branch president adjacent to the college where the student will attend, of the

Best Season for Stake Farm

By Lynette Eyring

This year has been the most successful for the Oakland-Berkeley and Walnut Creek Stake's farm since its purchase in 1954 by the original Berkeley Stake, it is reported by Tri-Stake authorities.

The success has come principally from this season's wheat and barley crops, which brought in \$7,500.

THE FARM, situated not far from the Nut Tree, near Sacramento, comprises 235 acres, of which 175 acres were in wheat and barley. There are now 170 acres of beans and 40 acres of new trees, including walnut, almond, apricot and peach varieties. Fifty head of sheep are supported on the farm.

Members of the three stakes have cooperated in working the land and

making improvements. The stakes alternate each week, sending volunteers from two wards to assist the resident manager.

In addition to the original cost of the farm and leveling for gravity irrigation, totaling more than \$100,000, many other costly improvements have been made.

Most of the buildings have been reconstructed, including a \$30,000 home occupied by Virgil Monson, farm manager, and his family.

COST OF drilling the irrigation wells, plus the pumps, came to \$21,000. One well, considered to be the best in the area, yields approximately 1,800 gallons of water per minute.

Modern farm equipment includes three tractors, a harvester combine,

MY TESTIMONY

By Mabel B. Liddell

The humble youths who go forth into the world as missionaries for the Church of Jesus Christ are sustained in amazing manner by the Lord when meeting opposition from experienced, scholarly men. The following excerpts are from a letter written by Ken Baker of San Francisco Stake, now serving as a missionary in Santa Maria, Brazil:

"Things have livened up around here. I have recently talked with three ministers within the city. It's really quite an experience to be speaking with trained, educated men who have been schooled to make religion their life's work. It seems as though we have been visiting with a number of their members and explaining the true teachings of the Bible and common errors taught by the ministers of today, much to their disliking. Thus, the ministers have started a campaign against us, telling all manner of lies about us and Joseph Smith, fulfilling many prophecies and especially the words of the Angel Moroni. They have started an active method of visiting their little flocks trying to keep them from accepting our visits and message. For the first time in years, many of these people are being visited by their ministers. All this is being done to hinder the work of the Lord. The people are really interested to see what the outcome will really be. They say the Church really starts to grow when persecution starts, so I guess we will soon find out.

"WHILE WE WERE visiting one of our better contacts, in walked their minister and it wasn't long until we were into a religious discussion that lasted three hours. The minister said that baptism wasn't necessary but after reading to him that a man couldn't enter the Kingdom of God without being baptized he had to admit that it was—and then he said there was no definite form of baptism. Once again we had to refer him back to the scriptures which he tried to re-adjust or give another interpretation, much to the amusement of the family we were visiting. . . . After it was all over the family invited us to stay for dinner, which we did. The family said that the one thing that really impressed them was the fact that we sat there calm and collected while the minister was all stirred up.

"During the past week I have had to call on another minister to see if we could use the baptismal place that we had prepared on their property after receiving their permission. He informed me that we could use it this time but that we would have to find us a new place after this. After thanking him for his kindness I asked him what the real reason was. He then informed me that he didn't like the way we were taking members from his church. He asked me why we weren't going out teaching the people that have no religion instead of those that have a church. I asked him if he believed Christ had a church while He was on the earth to which he said, "Yes."

"DID CHRIST send out anybody to preach the gospel to the people or did He do it all himself?" I asked. "He sent others to preach," was his answer. "Whom did Christ send these messengers to?" I asked. He answered, "To the whole world." I then said that if Christ's true Church were here upon the earth today, they would do the same thing—and that was why we were going from house to house and from country to country, preaching to all the world in testimony of the truthfulness of these things.

"The minister accepted our invitation to come to our baptismal services he following afternoon. We baptized two people in the presence of about fifty or sixty non-members, six Elders and four members."

Things As They Are

By I. B. Ball

The call of Nathan and LaRee Tolman of Berkeley First Ward to preside over the Church Shrine at the Memorial Cottage in Vermont where the Prophet Joseph Smith was born 152 years ago next December 23, calls to mind a saying of Thomas Carlyle.

He declared that the greatest gift God gives to any generation is the coming among us of a "Great Man," a Great Poet, or Hero or Prophet.

The great German poet, Heine, said much the same. "As the stars are the glory of the sky, so great men are the glory of their country, yea, of the whole earth."

ANOTHER WRITER went one step higher in his estimate. "Great men are the gifts of kind heaven to our world, instruments by which the Highest One works out his designs; light-radiators to give guidance and blessing to the travelers of time"—Moses Harvey.

It is well, therefore, that the Latter-day Saints have erected a Memorial Monument, a towering granite shaft, in honor of the Prophet, Seer and Revelator of our age, Joseph Smith, at the site of his birthplace, Sharon, Vermont.

This we now call a Church Shrine. There Brother and Sister Tolman have gone to preside as receptionists at a Memorial Cottage where all men and women may come and learn and revere.

Let one who knew Joseph Smith first-hand speak as a Church member:

"When he grasped my hand in that cordial way known to those who met him in the honest simplicity of truth, I felt as one of old in the presence of the Lord. My strength seemed to be gone, so that it required an effort on my part to stand on my feet."

THUS SPOKE Amasa Lyman who rose to an apostleship. He continued:

"But in all this there was no fear. The serenity and peace of heaven predated my soul, and the still, small voice of the Spirit whispered its living testimony in the depths of my being that he was a man of God."

Now listen to a non-member, a world-wide traveler, publicist and a former congressman, who also knew Joseph Smith first-hand.

Josiah Quincy, in a book published years later, "Figures of the Past," wrote of the Prophet after a long interview and association in Nauvoo:

"It is by no means improbable," he begins, "that some future textbook for the use of generations yet unborn, will contain a question something like this:

"WHAT HISTORICAL American of the nineteenth century has exerted the most powerful influence upon the destinies of his countrymen?"

"And it is by no means impossible that the answer to that interrogation may be thus written:

"Joseph Smith, the Mormon prophet." And the reply, absurd as it doubtless seems to most men now living, may be an obvious commonplace to their descendants.

"History deals in surprises and paradoxes quite as startling as this." And here is his ending:

"Born in the lowest ranks of poverty, without book-learning and with homeliest of all human names, he had made himself at age 39, a power upon earth.

"Of the multitudinous family of Smith none had so won human hearts and shaped human lives as this Joseph. His influence whether for good or evil, is potent today, and the end is not yet."

WE MAY SIMPLY repeat: indeed, the "end is not yet."

Since Josiah Quincy wrote his book 100 years have passed. What marvelous advances have come for the world-wide religious movement called Mormonism.

In Nauvoo when Josiah Quincy visited Joseph Smith, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was a lusty adolescent youth. It had a membership of probably 20,000, hated, persecuted, harried and driven.

Today it has more than a million and a quarter membership and an annual growth in convert baptisms larger than the total membership in Nauvoo days.

TODAY IT IS a Church honored and universally commended for its social and economic, moral and religious accomplishments and leadership.

Today Joseph Smith is revered by hundreds of thousands as God's greatest prophet of all ages excepting alone Jesus, the Son of God, who personally visited and endowed the Seer of the Last Days.

Oakland Fourth Ward

Bob and Vicki Martin Honored for Church Work

B Vera Dorfer

Double honors have come to the Wendell Martin family, in the Oakland Fourth ward, Oakland-Berkeley stake.

Robert C. Martin was honored at a missionary farewell and testimonial attended by more than 300 on August 11.

Bob and his parents left for Utah, August 18, and visited relatives for a few days before Bob went to the mission home in Salt Lake City, August 21. He will labor in the Gulf States mission. Headquarters, Houston, Texas.

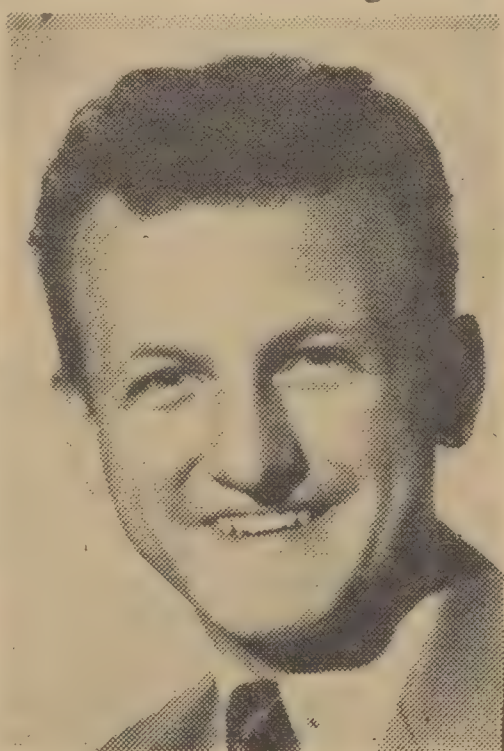
Vicki Dee Martin, Sunday, July 28, received an award for seven years of 100 per cent attendance at Sunday School, Sacramento meeting and MIA. She has not missed a meeting since she became 12 years old. In addition to her award, the MIA presented her with a travel alarm clock which will come in handy, since she is entering the BYU this fall.

Bob also made an attendance record when he attended all Priesthood, Sunday School, MIA and Sacramento meetings for more than five years. He missed only when special duty with the Naval reserve caused him to lose his record. He has also received the Desert Recognition award and has been serving as a Stake Missionary for the past 1½ years. He was among first in the ward to hold the Aaronic Priesthood pin.

Vicki has also received Honor Bee, MIA Joy and Silver Gleaner awards.

The Martins also have a daughter, Ann, 16, who has missed but two Sundays in the past four years, and these were due to illness. A son, Stephen, 14, has a 95 per cent seal on his Aaronic Priesthood Individual award for last year and has 100 per cent so far this year.

The Martins have, in order to help the young people make these



ROBERT C. MARTIN, of Oakland Fourth ward, and son of Wendell and Barbara Martin, entered the Salt Lake Mission home August 21. He will labor in the Gulf States Mission.

records, attended many other wards while on vacation, including: Barstow, Oceanside, Santa Maria, Bakersfield and Angels Camp, California; Reno and Henderson, Nevada, and several wards in Utah, Idaho and Oregon.

Proud grandparents of these four young people are Patriarch and Sister Robert T. Paine, of Oakland Fourth; and Brother and Sister Cato Martin of Oakland Second, Hayward Stake.



VICKI MARTIN, Oakland Fourth ward, daughter of Wendell and Barbara Martin, was honored July 28 for seven years of perfect attendance at Sunday School, Sacramento Meeting and Mutual.

Berkeley Second

Israel, L. D. S. Views Told at Joint Meeting

By Ann Crockett

A news item that missed the press last month deserves attention. It was a joint Relief Society slide-illustrated program featuring modern Israel's reaction to Mormonism, as personified by La Von and Joe Eyring and their interesting guest speaker, Jules Menn, of Jerusalem. Mr. Menn, who is getting his doctorate in agricultural chemistry at U.C., has been part of the Zionist movement since 1935.

For a direct and effective presentation of the LDS viewpoint, as it relates to Judea through Biblical and Book of Mormon prophecies, no one could have handled so difficult a subject more admirably than did our vibrant La Von Eyring

To honor Brother and Sister Le Roy Richards, who are as much a part of Sunday Services as the hymn books, Sisters La Priel Green and Grace Summerhays issued invitations to congratulatory friends who helped this popular "young couple" celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary, Wednesday, Aug. 21.

Having deservedly shared in the limelight of the Boyacks' exciting departure for New Zealand, it's fun to turn the spotlight on Grandma and Grandpa

ANOTHER BERKELEY couple who know their way around is Brother and Sister Ward Hall who, after family re-unioning in Utah, visited Ward Jr. in Olympia, Wash., while touring the Northwest

If anyone saw seven playful Baers Santa Cruzing on the blue Pacific in August, they were none other than Ronnie, Donnie, Billy, Bonnie, Bob, Kay and Leon

Among between-termers who will soon be home to press-agent the virtues of BYU are Bill Crockett, Janet Jensen, Phil Eyring, and the Huish boys

Former favorite Berkeleyans, the Fil Ogdens, recently of Portland, (continued on page 14)

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Berkeley First Ward

Margaret Crowther and Art Wood Named to Vital Leadership Jobs

By O. Mitchell

Because Don and Margi Martindale, two of our most talented and popular members, have recently moved to Salt Lake City, the Second Quorum of Elders has been reorganized. Succeeding President Don will be the new presidency: Art Wood, Gerald Anderson, and Max Hill. Joseph Kestner was retained as secretary. Don will continue his schooling at the University of Utah.

After very successful terms in office, Sister LaVon Johnson was released as Relief Society president. Sister Margaret Crowther was sustained as new president with Margaret Fife and Wanda Painter as counselors.

Newest member of the ward has the impressive name of Douglas Hamilton Jeppson. Little Dougie was blessed by his father, Wayne Jeppson, in the August Fast meeting. Expected to return soon from extended vacations in Utah are Brother and Sister Darrell Letham and Sister Lou Jean Kemp and daughter Jane Ann.

The marriage of Blaine Larson Crowther and Rayna Gay Pace of Phoenix, Arizona, was solemnized August 2 in the Mesa Temple. Receptions were held in Salt Lake City and Berkeley.

Soon to be packing their bags in anticipation of their freshman year at Brigham Young University are the following: Dick Johnson, Walter Carter, Beppie Ann Duker, Beth Ann Strebel, Sunya Evans, and JoAnn Basinger. We wish them Godspeed and happy studying. Dick spent part of last year at Cal after a stint in the army.

Recognition in the form of a newspaper article was recently given the work of Donal Reed, graduate student in physiology. The experiments have to do with the effects of physical stress on the human body. Don spent the month of August 14,250 feet up on White Mountain collecting data on the project.

Primary will resume its regular time of 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 4. MIA will also be held on Wednesday for the next three years beginning September 11.

Jim and Sue Dixon welcomed a new daughter, Diane Dixon, into their home August 1. Also on hand to greet her was big brother Mark, age 3 years.

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Many Distinguished Old Friends Visit at Special Ward Dinner

By Melva Rainey

President Delbert Wright and wife, Gertrude, were home again to pay a special visit. They attended the ward dinner sponsored by our Genealogical Committee. They are making their home in Minneapolis, Minnesota, at present, where he is an executive with General Mills Corporation.

President Wright, asked to speak, referred to his connection in that area with the missionary system. He had recently accompanied the mission president to Winnipeg, Canada. He reminded the ward members how fortunate they were in being able to reside in this beautiful area to partake of the Lord's spirit in such abundance. He also commended the talent we have.

Dale Bennett sang two solos. Patricia Stone sang "My Beloved" and "Sweethearts" accompanied by her talented husband, Bud Stone, who is superintendent of the YMMIA. Helen Houston presented a medley from "My Fair Lady" on her accordin. The program was under the direction of Leslie Webster.

PRESIDENT AND Ruth Hilton are home with us again. She says "forever", but we think she had her tongue in her cheek because their was a little glint in her eye when she said it. We have missed our beloved Patriarch and his wonderful wife. They have been doing lots of missionary, genealogy and temple work. Many of us have met them in the temple.

Charles and Rhea Gustaveson from Alameda were guests at the dinner also. Rhea is camp director representing the General Board for

the Division 12.

Frances Mayo was another guest. She told of becoming a grandmother at noon that day, the parents being Bud and Shirley Call.

The Junior Softball team from the Third ward won the district A softball championship. They lost one game, which kept them out of the finals in Salt Lake. James Call has been coaching and doing a great job with the team.

Bishop Dee and Lottie Smith and family have returned from an extended trip through Washington and Oregon. Lottie's brothers were their hosts in Oregon.

The MIA of Oakland Third and Fourth wards are having a joint night out to swim at the Live Oak Pool at the Oakland High School Sept. 3.

FRANK PHIPPS has returned from a trip by plane to Denver where he visited with his son. They took a fishing trip together, in Wyoming, while he was on vacation.

Lorna Dee Casterline from Springville, Utah, is here with her Grandmother Mrs. Ruth R. Shurtleff. Earl Casterline has been sent overseas with the armed forces.

The death of Cora K. Perkins recently is a sad occasion for her

DAVID D. MOOSMAN, member of Berkeley First Ward, is shown as he receives a 30-year federal service pin, bestowed on him by Frank W. Bellinghausen of Oakland Naval Supply Center. Moosman is a dairy and poultry inspector at the center, and is a popular key man at the big refrigeration building. Brother Moosman, who resides with his wife, Irene, at 1745 Madera St., Berkeley, started his federal service on May 2, 1927, in Philadelphia, transferring one year later to Washington, D.C., and to the West Coast after two years at the capital. A native of Vernal, Utah, he won his B.S. in dairy manufacturing in Utah, and his M.S. in dairy plant management at Iowa State College. The Moosmans have one son and two daughters, all married.

husband Wilson Perkins. She has been ill for quite awhile. Funeral services were conducted in Bountiful, Utah. Bro. Perkins' two sisters accompanied him to spend a few months with him in Oakland. They are Mrs. Florence Barton, Farmington, and Chlo Erskine from Salt Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Terrill recently married. Tommy is the son of Georgana Facer. The beautiful bride is the former Marsea Lyteil.

Louis Johnson has been host to his two brothers and families.

Mrs. Robert Allen and children have returned home from Salt Lake where Sister Allen has attended the bedside of her sick father. He is much improved. Brother Allen is the new leader in the Special Interest class in the MIA and is also helping in the Gospel Doctrine class in the Sunday School.

DR. CLARK WELLING has completed his internship at Highland hospital and is moving back to Salt Lake City to go into practice there. He has been a teacher in Sunday school there. Erma June, his lovely wife, has also been very active in the Primary and the MIA. Fred and Grace have vacationed in Utah



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and Idaho. They made a trip through Yellowstone Park as well. Eleanor Goodsell has been made corresponding secretary to the pre-

sident of the Eastern States mission under President Jacobsen. She tells us that she was able to attend (continued on page 15)



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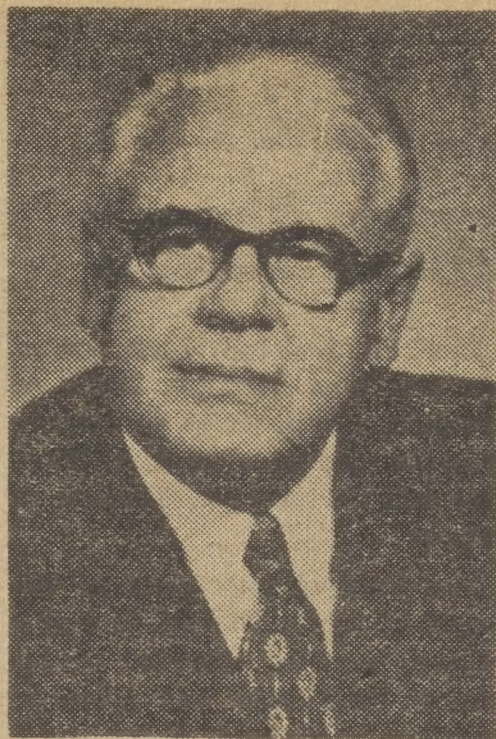
Richard W. Young In Birthday Group

Richard W. Young, Berkeley First Ward, was one of 10 Berkeley Rotary Club members who jointly celebrated birthdays at the club's regular meeting Monday, August 5.

The Berkeley Gazette featured a four-column picture of the 10 celebrants showing Mr. Young seated in the central chair at the banquet table.

Richard W. Young will be favorably remembered by members of the ward's Relief Society because of a masterful discourse before the group in April, 1957, on the Witness to the Book of Mormon.

The address was in the nature of a reply to a public speech a few years ago by a prominent Salt Lake City attorney, in which the declaration was made that the testimony of the Three Witnesses to the book would not be accepted in a court of law. All who heard Mr. Young agreed his reply refuted the allegations from all points of view.



RICHARD W. YOUNG

Bessie Schettler

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Knowing the excellent talent of these young people all who attended this must have found it delightful. The theme was Calypso.

Young People Produce 3-Act Play To Raise Tri-Stake Center Funds

A group of enterprising "Spotliters," enthused about raising money for the Temple Hill Building Fund, organized their spare time, (exactly that, for many of them hold down jobs,) and decided to produce a play. It will have been shown before the Messenger reaches mailboxes, but at this writing, it deserves an encouraging plug.

"June, Mad," presented in the Berkeley Chapel, Walnut and Vine Sts. is a three act comedy involving a family with a couple of teenagers and their hilarious exploits. Professionally directed by Mrs. Patricia Hinkley, the cast includes such inimitable actors as your own son or daughter. Kids like:

Eldon Ream, who plays the role of Chuck.

Copper-haired Ann Balmforth as Penny.

Attractive Nina Paulson as Julie.

Poised Julia Harmon as Mrs. Wood.

Professional looking Bud Hopkins as Dr. Wood.

Tall timbered Walt Carter as G. Mervin Roberts.

Dapper Dave Crockett as Roger

Van Fleck.

Likable Lynda De Rouen as Milly Lou.

Interesting Dave Bramwell as Mr. Harris.

Coquettish Margery Sabine as Effie.

Amusing Paul Braby as Elmer Tuttle.

Pretty Connie Sparks as Shirley Wentworth.

Delightful Bob Bramwell as Ralph.

The show was a laugh-provoking success and added \$117 to the building fund.

Oakland-Berkeley Stake

Singles, Over 25 Hear D. L. Lauper

By Mary K. Ahlf

Dennis Lauper was speaker for Fireside, Sunday, August 4, in the Oakland Fourth ward, for the "Singles, Over 25" group. His subject was genealogy. Chaplain Bob Smith recently returned from the Far East gave the opening prayer. Leon Polsen gave the closing prayer. Presiding was president Bill Rice. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Firesides are held on first Sundays at 8 p.m. in the Oakland Fourth ward chapel, 4705 Virginia Street, except that the September meeting will be held September 8, because the Oakland-Berkeley Stake conference falls on the first week-end.

Dances are held the first and third Thursdays of each month. September dances will be held in the Oakland Third ward chapel, 3618 Dimond Avenue, off MacArthur Boulevard Sept. 5 and 19, beginning at 8:30 p.m. Recorded music is by Brother Polsen.

To gain support and recognition, group leaders point out that the attendance must be increased. Firesides, dances and picnics are offered.

Those wishing to attend, or learn more about this group may contact these officers: Bill Rice, president, Laguna, Oakland HI. 4-7444; Amy Ralphs, secretary, 3116-38th avenue; Mary K. Ahlf, 1733 D street, Hayward; Other contacts in Bay Area Stakes are Golden Scott, San Francisco, MI. 7-5238; Bonnie Hancock, Hayward, JE. 7-5829; Ed Scott, Walnut Creek, HE. 2-4040; and Claire Judd, Oakland, AN. 1-2622.

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Berkeley First Ward

David T. Call On Mission To Eastern States

From Boise, Idaho, to California, to Korea and Japan, back to California and now to the Eastern States Mission are long steps in the short career of David T. Call of the University Ward, Oakland-Berkeley Stake.

David, the son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Thomas O. Call, has completed his course in the Mission Home in Salt Lake City, and is on his way to New York City, headquarters for the mission.

PARENTS OF the missionary, who for several years were leading members of the Berkeley First Ward and of the original Berkeley Stake, now are at Fort Amador, Canal Zone, where Col. Call is on a tour of duty. Their other son, Osmond, is in his second year of junior college in the Canal Zone.

David is a senior at the University of California, where he has been majoring in accounting. During the past summer he spent six weeks as an Army ROTC cadet at Fort Lewis, Wash.

As one result of being the son of an Army career officer, David has traveled widely. Since his birth in Boise, He resided in various communities throughout California and the United States and spent a year and a half in Korea and one year in Japan. The Calls settled in Berkeley for several years while Col. Call was in charge of supplies in part of the Pacific sector, working out of the Oakland Army Base.

Col. Call was president of the Elders Quorum, among other Church activities, and Verna (Mrs. Call) was a stake Relief Society leader.

Both David and Osmond also have been faithful Church workers and quorum leaders at Berkeley First and in other wards in which they have resided.

AT DAVID'S farewell services, held August 18 in the Berkeley Chapel, two sets of grandparents represented the absent parents, who were unable to be present. They were Mr. and Mrs. Osmond Call, of Boise, Idaho, and Mr. and Mrs. David McMurdie, of Salt Lake City.

Both gave talks, along with Bishop Cornell E. Jarman and Bishop Leland J. Fife. Musical numbers were presented by Joanne Basinger and Eldon Ream; the invocation was by Richard Johnson, and the benediction, by J. Edward Johnson.

C. RAY BALMFORTH, member of the Berkeley Second Ward, has been promoted to director of program for the Mt. Diablo Council, Boy Scouts of America, one of the largest councils in the Bay Scout movement. Brother Balmforth previously had been district executive of the Berkeley-Albany district. He and his family, talented workers in ward activities, reside in El Cerrito.

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Temple Wedding For Shirley Reed

Shirley Ann Reed, of the Los Altos Ward, and Hyrum S. Henderson, were married August 17 in the Mesa temple. A wedding reception followed the ceremony.

In anticipation of the happy event, ladies of the Los Altos Ward held a shower for Shirley at the home of Bishop Lyle B. Egan, with an attendance of about 30 well-wishers. Hostesses were: Delores Egan, Ednamary Baker, Mary Ottvos, Arlean Miner, and Eva Croshaw. A profusion of gifts was in evidence.

Shirley is the eldest daughter of John and Mabel Reed, formerly residents of Mesa, Ariz. Brother Reed is currently construction superintendent of the enlargement and remodeling of the Los Altos chapel. Shirley has completed three years at Brigham Young University, specializing in vocal music, and she plans to continue her studies in San Diego where the young couple will make their home. Her husband, whom she met at BYU, will teach in junior high school.

Oakland Fourth

Primary Notes 60-Years Work

More than 60 years of work in the Primary association were recognized at the August 4th Primary meeting of Oakland Fourth Ward. Primary youngsters and leaders participated in this special Primary meeting, under the direction of Primary Presidency: June Castle, Dione Sutherland and Joan Anderson.

Sister Leah Finch received a 20-year pin, with three rubies. Sisters Lynette Verhaaren, Mary Bybee and Lela Roe received 10 year pins, Doralie Weaver and Marjorie Hawkins received pins for five years of service. Five-year pins are plain, then one ruby is added each five years after that.

Alameda Ward

Rummage Sale Nets \$208 In Two Days

By Amelia Everett

Relief Society members did well at their August 9 and 10 Rummage sale when they made \$208. The following Tuesday they splurged. Instead of the usual work day at the Relief Society room, some 30 of them met at the home of Elnora Jensen for a social and barbecue. Grace Hopkins, Stake Board secretary and her guest, Sister Ueberger, were there for the singing. Wendell Jensen did the barbecuing. The ladies had only to load their plates with salads, relishes and rolls. They finished with watermelon.

The Aaronic Priesthood Breakfast, Sunday, Aug. 11, at 7:30 a.m., was a success. About 50 were served by Walter Soots and his helpers. Officers hope to repeat this affair every two months.

Vera Soots and Mataniu Fonoi-moana have finished the Stake Missionary course. They are ready for action.

Inez Multz and her sister Annie Anderson spent five days in Los Angeles visiting Margaret Multz and Hugh Multz of Hollywood. They visited the Temple grounds and in all had a wonderful time.

Karen Multz, stewardess, was quite sick with flu last month after a flight to Manila and back.

We are happy to see Robert Peterson back after hospitalization for an injured back.

Brother Frenchick is in a hospital recovering from an operation for throat tumor.

Albert Malquist is still convalescent after surgery; He is at home.

Walter Welti is away on IBM advancement.

Walter A. and Vera Soots have returned from vacation in Utah. They visited Bryce and Zion Canyons and were at Panguitch for the 24th of July, where Daughters of Utah Pioneers put on a splendid program.

Oscar and Mildred Fontano are in Salt Lake to copy genealogy from Switzerland.

Erma Lane is sporting a new Pontiac, a gift from her husband Ralph. Ralph says that the Lanes are at home to stay for this year. With such a car around! Erma and the girls spent four weeks at Sequoia National Park; Ralph was

there two weeks, enjoying the lake and the weather. But they had a shock: thought the mountain was coming down on them when the H-bomb was exploded in Nevada, July 5. They were awakened from a deep sleep in the dark night to tremble at the great commotion as the echo reverberated five or six times. They were 150 miles away but the sky was lighted as bright as day for several minutes.

They also had a pleasant surprise seeing Rhea, Cherril and Robin Gustaveson up there. They reported the birth of Cynthia Ann, to Larry and Carolyn (Gustaveson) Blake in Salt Lake City, July 31. The Lanes also had the pleasure of visiting Francis and Rose Winkel and family in their beautiful cabin at Lake Tahoe.

Clifford and Dorothy Brooks welcomed Joseph William, baby number seven, Aug 7. He weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces. He is the fourth boy. They have three girls. All beautiful, healthy children. The oldest is aged 7.

Clifford Brook was just chosen as one of the six best butchers. Their pictures were taken in action for Industrial movies in an effort to standardize meat cutting.

At Sacramento meeting, one baby was blessed: Deborah Lynn Zimmer. Confirmed a member was Gerald George Frenchick.

Heath-Crandall Wedding Unites Well-known Clans

When Joan Patricia Heath of San Leandro Ward married Gerald B. Crandall of San Francisco Ward in the Los Angeles Temple August 15 two of the most active families of the Bay Area colony were united by the wedding bonds.

Joan's father Russel V. Heath is well-known for the glorious operatic voice which has charmed so many LDS and stage audiences in this area, while Mrs. Heath is the daughter of old timers in Berkeley Ward, the Thomas Rogers, now of Sebastopol, California.

Gerald's parents are former Alameda church leaders although now they live across the Bay. Leo Crandall was branch president of Alameda Branch and then the first bishop of the Alameda Ward.

A wedding reception was held for Joan and Gerald in the San Leandro recreation hall Friday August 23.

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Alameda Ward

Lt. Multz Weds Juanita Shevetz

First Lt. Rudolph Multz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Multz of Alameda, was married to Juanita Sherretz, daughter of Mrs. Florence and the late Mr. Sherretz of Indiana.

The wedding took place in the chapel at Milton Florida. It was a military wedding attended by his buddies. The bride was given in marriage by Major F. S. Crawford. Jenny Rackshaw was maid of honor; 1st Lt. Donald Waldvogel best man, and ushers, Lt. Donald Smith and Ken Kohne.

Rudolph formerly attended University of California and University of San Francisco. He is now stationed at Whiting Field as flight instructor in Marine Corps Reserve. The couple will reside in Milton, Florida, after the honeymoon.

To Clifford and Dorothy Brooke, a boy, Joseph William was born Aug. 7.

Janet Hill Weds David Kay Ricks

Janet Leone Hill, daughter of the late Archie Hill and Mrs. Neva Hill of the Berkeley First Ward was married in the Salt Lake Temple August 16 to David Kay Ricks, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Keith Ricks. Janet's father was one of the early Church workers in the Berkeley area, serving in two bishoprics during the formative period of the old Berkeley Ward. It was during his active years that the Berkeley chapel was planned and constructed under the leadership of Bishop Phares Dunyon.

Janet and David met at the Brigham Young University where they were graduated this spring.

Oakland Ward

Rummage Sale To Be Sept. 19

By Joan Tocher

The Relief Society reports plans to hold a rummage sale September 19, all day, at St. George's Hall, 2436 Grove Street, in Oakland.

Oakland ward welcomes home two of its missionaries. Thomas Stone, son of Oakland Stake President and Mrs. Leslie O. Stone, is returning home from Tahiti; and James Norbert, son of Angus and Katherine Norberg, is returning from Argentina. Both missionaries will make their reports to the ward soon, and both, we understand, will be leaving almost immediately for Brigham Young University to continue their studies.

President and Mrs. Howard Stone reported on their interesting missionary work in Samoa, where Brother Stone was president for several years.

The genealogical committee, under the direction of David Cummings, has added two new members: Brother and Sister Owen Freeman. They are hoping to schedule a trip to the Los Angeles Temple in September.

Latest addition to Oakland ward is a baby boy born to Gerald and Rayola Palmer.

Israel LDS

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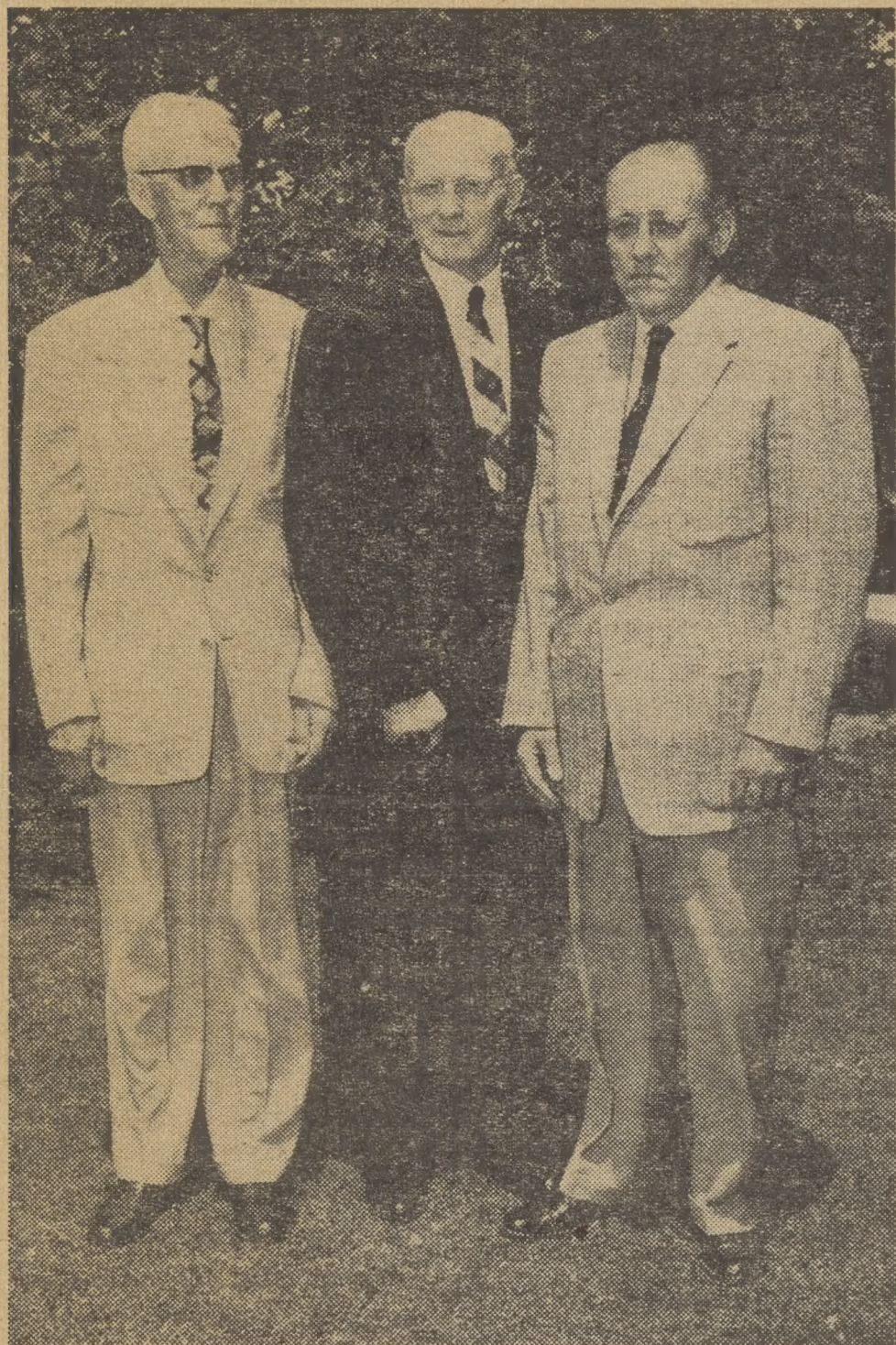
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THREE PATRIARCHS, north and south, as they met by chance in the Ventura Ward Chapel at Sunday School on August 11. Left to right, Isaac B. Ball, Oakland-Berkeley; William O. Erickson, Fresno Stake, and Russell B. Hodgson, Santa Barbara Stake.

—(Photo by George Sadorus.)

Patriarchs Meet Unexpectedly at Ventura Ward

The Ventura Sunday School August 11 was the scene of an unexpected meeting of three patriarchs from three separate stakes, north and south, in California.

One of these men was William O. Erickson of Fresno Stake, a brother to Irvin Erickson of Berkeley Second Ward, another was Russell H. Hodgson of Santa Barbara Stake, a brother to Rachel Hodgson Ball of Berkeley First Ward, and the third was Isaac B. Ball of Oakland-Berkeley Stake.

The occasion of the meeting of these three was a wedding reception in Ventura Ward (the home ward of Elder Hodgson) of a relative of Elder Ball and a close family friend of Elder Erickson.

At the Sunday School in Ventura that Sunday morning it was stated that this was the first time in the ward's history that three patriarchs had been together at one meeting there.

The Los Angeles Temple wedding was that of John Stark Berge, a third cousin to Brother Ball and Maye Sorenson, one of a family of long standing in Ventura Ward. Elder Stark's grandfather was one of the passengers, a young carpenter, on the famous ship Brooklyn which came into San Francisco harbor with a Mormon Colony under the leadership of Samuel Brannan in the year 1846.

Old Friends

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the Pageant in Palmyra for the past two years.

Olga and Karen Smith have been vacationing in Utah and Idaho for about 3 weeks.

Don Russell is leaving shortly for a 4-year course in printing management at the Rochester Institute of Technology in New York. He will earn his degree in that line while he is attending there.

RAY DANIELS is at home after spending a week in the hospital. He is looking forward to the homecoming of his son, Arthur, who has been on a mission for the past two and a half or three years. Arthur will be home this week. His labors took him to many places in France, Belgium and Switzerland. He has been branch president of Herstal. After his release he toured through Holland, and Denmark, then sailed from Southampton England. His was met on the boat by his sister, Afton, who resides in Worthington, Ohio. He will fly home from there.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pearce and children, Nellie and Vida Hendricks from Ogden, Melba Speirs from Tooele, and D. H. Sainsbury from Spokane have been guests of the Rainey's the past weeks. Also Mrs. Donna Webbe and three children from Half Moon Bay.

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Brother and sister Kersey are being congratulated upon the ar-

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Brother and sister Ross Lamb are parents of a baby boy. The Rex Pattersons are new parents with the arrival of a little son.

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San Mateo Second

Three Weddings Noted by Ward

By Gladys Lemmon

The many friends of Chloe Nelson will be happy to learn of her recent trip to Phoenix, Arizona, to attend the wedding of her son, Raymond Arthur Nelson, to Miss Helen Diane Hullinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hullinger of Roosevelt, Utah, July 15. The ceremony was performed by President Allen of the Phoenix Stake.

Ray graduated from San Mateo High and Stanford University and at present is an industrial engineer with Reynolds Metals in Phoenix. He is also president of the Arizona Chapter of the Institute of Industrial Engineers. Diane is a graduate of Utah State at Logan, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Peterson announce the marriage of their daughter, Joyce, to Don W. Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mariner Clark of Nampa, Idaho. The marriage was performed by Bishop Daniels in the San Mateo Ward Chapel August 16. Joyce and Don were both students at the Brigham Young University this past year, Don graduating this spring with a Bachelor of Science degree.

Dennis Daniels, son of Bishop and Mrs. Worth W. Daniels, married Miss Barrie Blair of Woodside August 24. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Summers Blair and is a graduate of San Mateo Junior College. The young couple will make their home in Berkeley where Dennis will enroll this fall as a senior student in the college of engineering at the University of California.

San Leandro Ward

Joan Heath Wed To Jerry Crandall

Joan Heath and Jerry Crandall were married Friday, August 16, in the Los Angeles Temple. A lovely bridal shower was given July 25 for Joan at the home of Brother and Sister Fred Haycock. The shower was given by Janet Haycock and Donna Schipper. A reception was held August 23 at the San Leandro ward.

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into the mountains. The boys are already looking forward to a similar trip next year.

The Blazer Group in Primary with their leader Sister DeVona Moore, had a breakfast cook-out in the back yard of Sister Helen Allen's home Aug. 3. They had plenty of bacon and eggs. Their stoves were 2-gallon cans with holes punched in the top. The fuel they used was empty milk cartons. These were twisted then lighted. The wax and cardboard made excellent fuel for the outdoor breakfast. The boys had a wonderful time.

August 4, the Primary Association had their birthday services. The children message to the parents was "Help Me Find The Way." Two of our ward families helped develop the theme with the children singing. The idea of the Parents helping the children to find their way back to our Eternal Father was timely and beautifully done.

Evelyn Johnson, the daughter of Doc and Vera Johnson, was married at her home August 7. The bridegroom was Grant Draper of Provo. President France Winkel performed the ceremony.

Hayward Second

Sept. 6 Set For A Family Dinner

By Shirley Troub

A family dinner for the benefit of the welfare fund will be held on Friday, September 6, at the Hayward Ward. A special added attraction there will be a cake baking contest by the men.

We are happy to welcome the following new families into our ward: Brother and Sister Tafua and their seven children. The Tafuas are originally from Samoa. Brother and Sister J. Skinner and their three sons from Idaho Falls, Idaho. Brother Tafua and Brother Skinner gave interesting and inspiration talks at a recent Sacrament Meeting. Brother and Sister Robert and Joan Anderson and their three children, Mark, Sally and Kris, from the Oakland Fourth Ward. Also the Mills Family from Salt Lake City, Utah.

The Seventy's group held a successful beach party at Half Moon Bay. Five of the Seventies and their families, plus Bishop Pimentel and his family, enjoyed a Saturday outing of swimming, roasted weiners and marshmallows, and watermelon. The day was so successful that another party has been planned for Labor Day.

Bob Reiche was released as Sunday School Superintendent with a vote of thanks. Larry Woods was sustained as the new Superintendent, with Emerson Green as the first counselor and the second counselor yet to be chosen.

The adult fireside is still being held the first Sunday of each month. The last fireside held at the Norton's had Bishop and Mrs. McCellan of Hayward First ward as guests. The evening was climaxed by an inspirational testimony meeting.

Dick and Marlan McDonald welcomed a little pioneer on the 24th of July, a son whom they have named Douglas Keith.

Brother and Sister Robert Crandall welcomed their second boy July 17. Brother Crandall has been sustained as an assistant ward clerk.

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returned from a mission in the Hawaiian Islands.

In the winter of 1852-1853 the Latter-day Saints had called missionaries to "go ye into all the world," and preach the gospel. Forty such missionaries assigned to work in China, Siam, Hindustan, Australia, Hawaiian Islands and South America were stranded in San Francisco. They had collectively \$750. They needed \$6250. One of these missionaries, A. Milton Musser, wrote in his journal, "Elder John M. Horner of the Ship Brooklyn came to us and gave the required \$5,500. Soon we were sailing to our respective fields or labor, —gratefully and prayerfully thinking the Lord and his big hearted servant, John M. Horner, for the beneficent endowment."

IN WILFORD WOODRUFF'S Journal there is an entry of the General Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Recommendations were discussed for organizing a stake at Horner's Ranch in California. This was 1854.

The Horner chapel-school house was the first American school house in Alameda County. This little Mormon meeting house was the first of many beautiful chapels which now dot the county. The newly dedicated LDS chapel of the Niles-Centerville ward stands perhaps within two miles of the site of the first Mormon meeting house, the old Horner school, which was undoubtedly the first Mormon chapel in California.

Anne Lee Smith, Lafayette, Weds

Anne Lee Smith, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. Ronald Smith of Lafayette was united in marriage in the Salt Lake Temple in August to Lynn Taylor Staheli.

The Smith family is well known throughout the East Bay, having been prominent in Church and medical circles for years. Elder Smith was a member of the Berkeley Stake high council and chairman of the stake genealogical committee before the stake was divided from the Walnut Creek Stake.

Dr. Smith has also served as president of the Liahona Club, and been active in that organization's projects.

Anne Lee has been active in the young people's Church organizations and in genealogical work with young groups.

Blaine Anderson, Claremont Ward, Weds Utah Girl

Blaine M. Anderson of Claremont Ward was married August 20 in the Salt Lake Temple to Beth Beard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Beard of Corrine, Utah.

A wedding reception for Blaine and Beth was held in the Corrine Ward chapel Wednesday, August 21.

Blaine, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Anderson, faithful members of Claremont Ward, returned from a very successful full-time mission about two years ago and has been active in his ward since his return and in the presidency of the Seventy Quorum.

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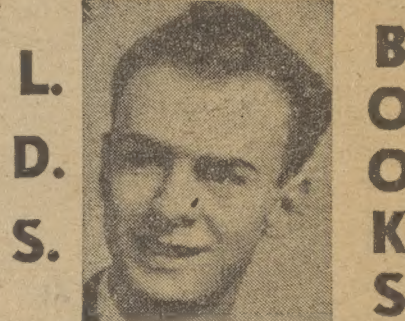
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